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Decision on Wilberforce Medical Centre Reversed

Highlands East Council has capitulated to some very angry constituents regarding the continued use of the Medical Centre by the Haliburton Family Medical Centre and other related services. At a council meeting this past Tuesday Kathy Rogers and Pat Simiana of Highlands East were listed as a delegation to speak to the Medical Centre closure announced two weeks ago, and as many as 40 people packed into the tiny Council Chambers to hear what Council had to say. Council was literally surrounded by angry residents displeased with their decision to evict the Haliburton Family Medical Centre.

Rogers spoke on behalf of the residents of both Highlands East and Harcourt. She said she understood that Council was attempting to work things out with the doctors, but they still wanted to let Council know just how concerned residents were.

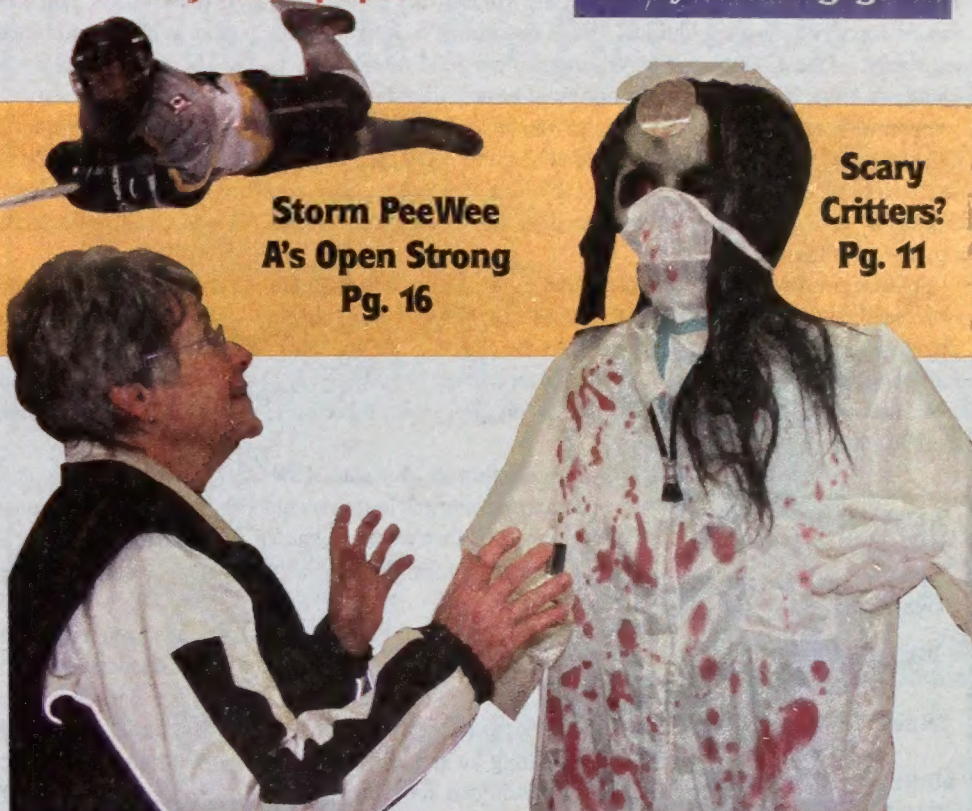
Council was given a petition with approximately 550 signatures asking them to rescind their decision to evict the health team. The petition chastised Council for making the decision during a closed session, particularly about such a high profile matter. It suggested that Council should have called a public meeting and allowed residents an opportunity to speak and that they fought long and hard to have this valuable service and could not afford to lose it.

Rogers gave a detailed report of the services offered in the building including the types of clinics and numbers of people served. According to members of Council, it was the lack of this very information that led them to close the centre.

Rogers voiced concern that Council could have difficulty getting the services back, given the short notice provided to the medical staff, the abrupt manner of advising them and poor handling of the matter overall after so many years of service. She said, given the shortage of doctors in many rural areas, she was surprised that Council would make a decision that would affect the health and safety of the residents so seriously.

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"The next time you need my help, just give me a call."



HAPPY HALLOWEEN



Parents brought their kids to the Ontario Early Years Centre (OEYC) in Haliburton for a day-time Halloween party on Tuesday. While sporting their colourful costumes, kids were able to sing songs, play games and make art. A potluck lunch was also served.

Pictured above: An unsuspecting shopper on the search for some Halloween goodies is greeted by the 6 ft. tall Dr. Death at the entrance of The Bargain Shop in Haliburton.

Split Vote Says Yes to New Runway

"We should apply for the whole enchilada!"
(Reeve Eleanor Harrison)

The much anticipated vote on the future of the Stanhope Airport is in and Algonquin Highlands will be applying for \$3.4 million dollars in Building Canada funds to construct a new runway. Strangely enough, when it came down to the crunch at their meeting last Thursday, Council only agreed to a stand-alone project of the new runway, without giving due consideration to their existing infrastructure at the airport. What will become of the existing runway, taxiway, apron and terminal building, all in

need of upgrading, remains to be seen.

The decision to proceed with a multi-million dollar expansion of the airport was not unanimous as the resolution was passed with a recorded vote of three for and two against the project. This doesn't bode well for an application that, according to Building Canada guidelines should be deemed to be of the highest priority for the Council.

Even though Council has finally decided on the

path they wish to take, the decision is only one more step towards any actual construction at the airport. Depending on the success of Council's application for funds, a number of hoops remain with more options to be considered. Community opposition to the project has been mounting over the past year and within days of Council's decision there are already clear indications that the same opposition will not only continue, but intensify.

Council's meeting was once again attended by about 25 members of the public. The agenda got underway with three delegations specifically supporting the airport expansion, two firmly against it and one delegation that could be said to be sitting squarely on the fence.

Art Wall, long time resident of the area, was very strong in his message that he considered the community to be under the rule of a dictatorship. He said, "This

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County Commits \$100,000 to Fish Hatchery

Liz Danielsen
Staff Reporter

Last week County Council committed an annual grant of \$20,000 over a five year period to support the operations of the Haliburton Fish Hatchery. The funding will be made available starting in 2009.

For the past several years County has provided an annual grant of \$10,000 but they have decided to step up their support in the hopes that the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) will match or top the contribution with additional annual operating funds for the same period. With the combined assistance of the County and MNR augmenting fund raising efforts, the Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association (the Association) will be able to eliminate their current budget deficit.

Warden Eleanor Harrison told County Council that she and several other members of the Council had met with Minister Donna Cansfield at Martinwood Resort. During the meeting they discussed sustainable funding for the Association to assist with the continued operation of the fish hatchery. According to Harrison they left the meeting with an indication from Cansfield that she would be supportive of the initiative.

Subsequent to meeting with the Minister, Harrison said that she attended a meeting at the Fish Hatchery along with Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey and Bob Smith, Director of Economic Development, Tourism and Marketing for the County. The meeting was also attended by MNR staff and representatives of the Outdoors Association. Harrison said, "We had an excellent round table discussion about the value of the facility, how it could work and how to find sustainable funding."

According to Harrison MNR staff provided figures that have been invested in the fish hatchery so far. "Some figures came out that we were unaware of, but we have good reason to believe that there will be support going forward from the Ministry."

Harrison said that Leora Berman, who has been hired on a contract basis to do a business plan for the Association, will be compiling information on behalf of the Association to send to the Minister's office prior to year end. The Ministry is looking for an indication of how the community will help the facility to move forward. In addition, Ministry staff suggested that the County would need to come forward with a motion of support and a long term financial commitment, something that would go a long way in helping the Ministry make their own commitment to the project.

Berman says that, with help from the association members, she is compiling the volunteer hours that go into the fish hatchery and preparing a document that outlines the social importance of the hatchery to the volunteers, or what the volunteers receive in terms of social networking and a sense of accomplishment. She said, "We're looking at how much money has been received over the past ten years from both MNR and the County as well as through in kind

contributions, general fund raising initiatives and community awareness projects."

"We've found that we have at least matched the funding that is brought in from the County and MNR through fund raising, local community, businesses and in kind contributions." Berman says that the Association is hoping to hear back from the Minister by March. In the meantime, they have been trying to raise community awareness about what the association has accomplished in terms of fish habitat. Fund raising and the awareness program will continue through the summer.

Harrison as well said that the Association is more than willing to continue to commit to ongoing fund raising initiatives. As an example, she mentioned the Haliburton Lake Trout Project/Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters' annual dinner on July 4th at the Delta Pinestone where they raised between \$20 and \$25 thousand dollars.

None of the members of the Association were available for comment before press time. ■

Dysart Council Considers Banning Wood Burning Boilers

The Dysart et al Council recently received a written complaint from a concerned citizen, Peter Henlein, about the 'proliferation' of outdoor wood burning boilers in the County. The letter was discussed at their October 14th meeting and Council is considering the best approach to take. Any decision to restrict wood burning right now will likely be unpopular with a good percentage of residents, particularly when heating oil costs are fluctuating wildly, and more and more people are considering using wood for fuel.

Henlein believes that wood burning furnaces can cause serious health problems from resulting air born pollutants, particularly among elderly people. According to a memorandum to Council from their By-law Department, the issues of particular concern were that outdoor wood burning boilers in residential areas have a low stack height, low burn rate and are often used as waste incinerators. The low stack height causes problems as the smoke is not lifted high enough before spreading through neighbouring properties.

The By-law Department suggested that the municipality could prohibit or regulate the burners as a public nuisance under the Municipal Act. It is their position that the appliances could be seen as a nuisance within a highly populated area which would allow the municipality to regulate their use. The Municipal Act also allows a municipality to regulate things that can pose a risk to the health, safety or the well being of residents.

While the By-law Department memo did not suggest in any way that they were qualified to determine whether the burners actually caused health risks to the public they did agree that if wood burners were being used as waste incinerators, there could be a resulting release of toxic pollutants depending on what was being burnt. They also commented that low lying smoke could cause respiratory problems for residents living on adjacent properties.

The report indicated that a number of municipalities in Ontario have chosen to create specific by-laws to regulate or even prohibit the use of outdoor wood burning appliances, while others regulate their use through their zoning by-law. They found that many of the regulations researched included establishing setbacks from property lines, distance from combustible materials, the requirement for chimney caps equipped with rain cap and spark arresters, the zones in which the appliances are permitted or prohibited, the number of appliances allowed on each property, prohibiting the appliances to be used as waste incinerators and the requirement for a building permit in order to install a wood burning appliance.

According to CAO Tammy McKelvey, the next step will be to look at whether wood burning stoves should be controlled under the zoning by-law with setbacks and whether restrictions should be placed on small residential lots. Recommendations will be brought back to Council at a subsequent meeting.

Coincidentally at the recent County Visioning session held last week in Stanhope, Godfrey Tyler, owner of Waverley Brook Farms on the Old Donald Road, spoke eloquently about the forestry industry and its place in the economic development of the County. Tyler spoke about the importance of the industry even during the 1990's when it still formed an important part of the economy. "We still have that fundamental base to grow trees and it is a renewable resource that pays quite well." Tyler also spoke of the new mills being starting up by Haliburton Forest and Greenview Wood Products in Harcourt.

Tyler said, "Most of us will be burning wood this winter. We must accept that we are wood cutters. We should be proud of it and teach our youngsters the same." Tyler's sentiments are no doubt shared by many residents who have always burned wood as fuel and others who shudder when they see the cost to fill their fuel tanks.

Reeve Murray Fearrey later said that Tyler's comments definitely hit the mark. As to the decision about restricting the use of wood burning appliances, Fearrey said, "Council still doesn't know how to proceed with this. We want to look at what other communities are doing. These days there are apparently some very high efficiency units that don't create much in the way of emissions. The varying calibre or quality of wood burners available and how much smoke emissions they create can cause quite a problem when trying to look at regulating them."

Fearrey said, "We're a long way from coming to any decision on the matter, particularly when people are burning more and more wood." ■

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Friday, October 31st - Haliburton Family Medical Centre 2 pm – 4 pm

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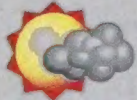
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SUNDAY



Partly cloudy and cool
▲ 7° ▼ 0°

MONDAY



Partly cloudy, breezy and milder
▲ 11° ▼ 4°

TUESDAY



Partly sunny with afternoon showers
▲ 12° ▼ 5°

WEDNESDAY



Cloudy with rain likely
▲ 9° ▼ -1°

AROUND THE REGION: Quiet weather conditions will be experienced on Thursday as skies will be partly cloudy with highs near 10. Milder weather will be experienced on Friday as skies will remain partly cloudy with highs in the low teens. Cooler conditions will be likely for the weekend while the next chance of rain will occur late on Tuesday into Wednesday.

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Oct. 25, 2008
04 09 25 26 41 46
Bonus Number 40
Encore 6526869



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13 14 25 26 27 35 40
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City	Today Hi/Low/Otk	Friday Hi/Low/Otk	Saturday Hi/Low/Otk	Sunday Hi/Low/Otk	Monday Hi/Low/Otk	Tuesday Hi/Low/Otk	Wednesday Hi/Low/Otk
Bancroft	9/0/pc	13/3/pc	7/3/su	7/0/pc	10/4/pc	12/5/pc	9/-1/ra
Barrie	10/1/pc	14/4/pc	8/3/su	8/1/pc	11/4/pc	12/6/sh	10/-1/ra
Dorset	9/0/pc	13/3/pc	7/2/su	7/0/pc	10/3/pc	12/4/sh	9/-1/ra
Haliburton	9/0/pc	13/3/pc	7/3/su	7/0/pc	11/4/pc	12/5/sh	9/-1/ra
Huntsville	9/0/pc	13/3/pc	7/2/su	7/0/pc	10/3/pc	12/4/sh	9/-1/ra
Kingston	11/1/pc	14/4/pc	9/4/su	9/2/pc	12/4/pc	12/6/pc	11/0/ra
Lindsay	10/1/pc	14/4/pc	8/3/su	8/1/pc	11/4/pc	12/6/sh	10/-1/ra
Minden	9/0/pc	13/3/pc	7/3/su	7/0/pc	11/4/pc	12/5/sh	9/-1/ra
Oshawa	11/1/pc	14/5/pc	9/4/su	9/2/pc	12/4/pc	13/6/sh	11/0/ra
Ottawa	9/0/pc	12/3/pc	7/1/su	7/-2/su	9/1/pc	10/4/pc	9/0/sh
Toronto	11/2/pc	15/6/pc	9/4/su	9/2/pc	12/4/pc	13/7/sh	11/1/ra

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Low/Otk	Friday Hi/Low/Otk	Saturday Hi/Low/Otk	Sunday Hi/Low/Otk	Monday Hi/Low/Otk	Tuesday Hi/Low/Otk	Wednesday Hi/Low/Otk
Calgary	10/1/pc	11/1/pc	15/1/pc	11/1/sh	10/-1/sh	9/-2/sh	3/-5/mx
Edmonton	7/-4/su	11/-1/cl	7/-3/cl	6/-6/cl	7/-5/dz	4/-7/mx	-2/-10/sf
Fredericton	7/1/cl	11/3/pc	9/0/su	7/-3/cl	8/-1/pc	9/-1/pc	7/-3/cl
Halifax	8/2/cl	9/3/pc	9/5/pc	4/1/su	7/1/pc	9/3/pc	11/6/cl
Montreal	9/-1/pc	11/2/pc	6/1/su	7/-2/su	8/0/pc	9/3/pc	7/0/sh
Regina	12/1/pc	14/3/pc	9/-3/dz	9/-1/cl	6/-3/sh	7/-3/sh	3/-6/sn
St. John's	12/4/sh	9/4/pc	9/8/cl	6/6/dz	5/3/cl	-6/2/pc	9/1/pc
Saskatoon	8/-3/su	11/1/pc	7/2/cl	11/1/pc	7/2/dz	6/-4/sh	0/-8/sn
Vancouver	14/9/sh	14/7/sh	14/9/sh	13/8/sh	11/7/sh	11/7/sh	10/5/sh
Whitehorse	-2/-8/cl	-3/-9/pc	-1/-9/ic	-2/-3/sf	0/-4/cl	-4/-9/sn	-6/-11/sn
Winnipeg	9/-1/pc	6/-3/su	9/-2/su	7/1/dz	6/0/sh	7/-1/sh	3/-4/sn

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Monday 10/27	7°C	-1°C	5.1 mm
Sunday 10/26	9°C	4°C	6.1 mm
Saturday 10/25	11°C	7°C	11.7 mm
Friday 10/24	9°C	-4°C	0.3 mm
Thursday 10/23	8°C	-5°C	0.3 mm
Wednesday 10/22	3°C	-4°C	6.9 mm
Tuesday 10/21	9°C	-1°C	18.0 mm

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SUN & MOON

	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set
Thu.	7:51 a.m./6:04 p.m.	9:51 a.m./6:31 p.m.
Fri.	7:52 a.m./6:03 p.m.	10:54 a.m./7:11 p.m.
Sat.	7:53 a.m./6:01 p.m.	11:50 a.m./7:58 p.m.
Sun.	6:55 a.m./5:00 p.m.	11:39 a.m./7:54 p.m.
Mon.	6:56 a.m./4:59 p.m.	12:18 p.m./8:56 p.m.
Tues.	6:57 a.m./4:57 p.m.	12:51 p.m./10:01 p.m.
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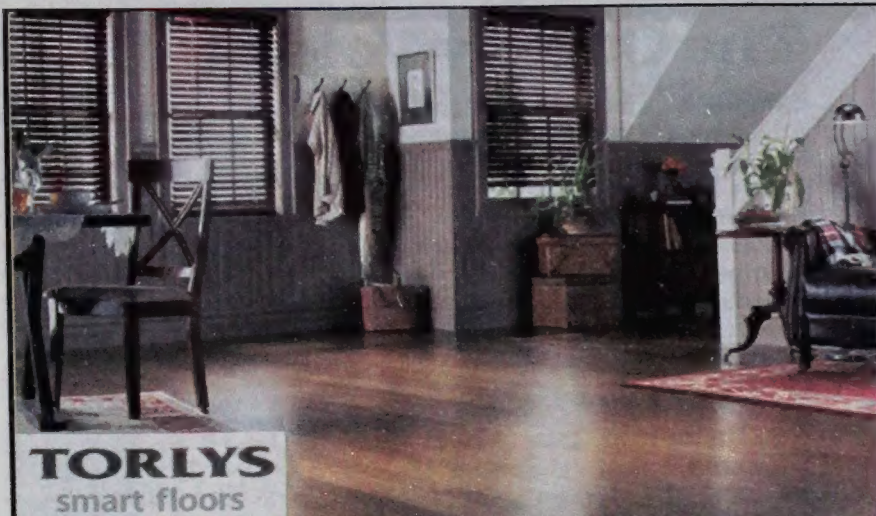
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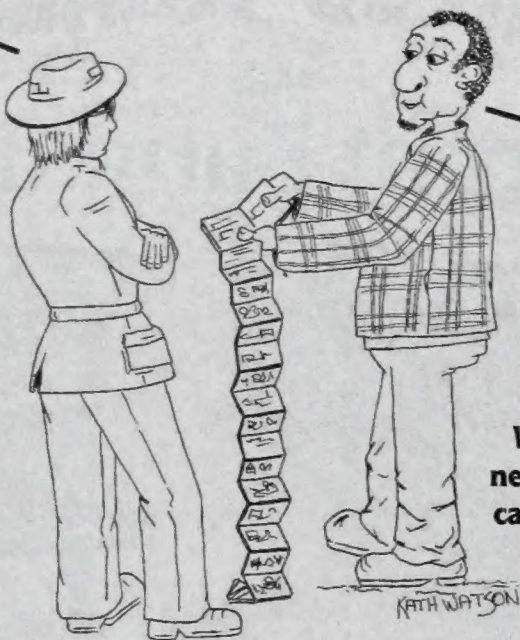


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KATH WATSON

Letter of the Week

Dear Editor:

"Reeve Harrison ... will have to bully and cajole whoever might still listen in order to fund rehabilitation entirely without higher government aid."

What observers at the October 23rd meeting of the Algonquin Highlands council witnessed was a fine display of exactly what is wrong with the airport expansion project that the majority have been pushing, against common sense and public sentiment. A complete lack of vision, planning or concern for the public purse continues to distinguish the approach to all matters airport from this administrations' usually rational and effective way of working.

Even as the council discussed whether to apply for funding for a 5.4 or a 3.1 million dollar version of the project, the question of the cost for "outside expertise" in cobbling together a "business plan" was swept aside, un-addressed.

The refusal of the proponents of the airport expansion to even consider rehabilitation and upgrading of the existing airport facilities – leaving out the new, three million dollar runway – means that, should their funding request be denied, Reeve Harrison will probably get her wish of all or nothing. Or, she will have to bully and cajole whoever might still listen in order to fund rehabilitation entirely without higher government aid.

Only now, with less than a month to make a detailed funding request and still no business plan or financial impact and benefit study to attach to it, has the reeve intimated that expropriating and purchasing hundreds of acres of land for hundreds of thousands of dollars with no real idea of what they were up to might cause problems.

In spite of being informed, prior to the expropriation of lands, that most of the technical requirements, usability estimates and traffic and service objectives laid out in plans since at least 2000, could not be met, and that the great majority of the information required for independent confirmation of this conclusion could be obtained without the kind of access to or impact upon the Middleton lands that would require their expropriation, council took the position that nothing could be known until the land was "protected".

After another expenditure of more than \$100,000 and an increase in the estimated cost of the new runway of nearly 50%, the majority of the council feels that it must be built simply because it can. The reeve even stated that no real business planning or financial impact studies could be carried out until it has!

What was then: "We won't know until we buy it" has now become "We won't know until we build it... We have to build it; we've bought all this land and can't do anything else with it, our expropriation action has committed us to building it..."

Rather than admit and back away from a two (or four!) hundred thousand dollar mistake, the Reeve and two other councillors have declared that the new runway is the highest priority for infrastructure and development in the township and needs a further 3.4 million dollars of local, provincial and federal tax money thrown at it.

Of course, having admitted that no other opportunities have ever been investigated, they really had no choice, did they?

It appears that at least two members of council have spent some time on independent thought or research on this matter. It may still be enough.

If it is, Mme the Reeve should remember that she was the first person to say that she would rather see the airport close than continue as it is.

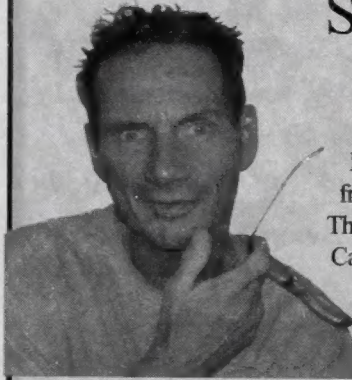
Andy Muirhead,

Just north of a really nice little airport in Stanhope. ■

EDITORIAL VIEWPOINT

by Terrance Gavan

Stephane Dion's Lonely Journey Into Night



I'm feeling a little guilty. Stephane Dion has just retreated from the camera's glare.

The lights are still on at Stormaway (posh quarters reserved for Canada's leader of the opposition), but there's no one home.

Dion will serve in the House as the reigning opposition leader, responsible for challenging Conservative guidelines and harrumphing loud and long over perceived flaws in Tory policy during question period. But from now until the Liberals choose a new leader, he'll mostly be viewed

as the lame duck, keeping the seat warm for the next appointed herald of La Rouge. Michael Ignatieff and Bob Rae, the two most likely first hats in the boisterous ring have said all the right things and have steadfastly refused to declare just yet.

They are the grieving widows, waiting out the de rigueur two-month window before inquiring about the will. Dion heard the sharp zings of the knives, and he knows only too well the Liberal penchant for burying their losers with love, kisses and kind epithets. Post election, this time around, Dion was not even afforded the petty indulgence of being buried with kindness. In Quebec and in Ontario, hard-line centrists within the party openly called for Dion's head on a pike.

We've seen this little Lord of the Flies passion play before. With Pierre Trudeau and John Turner, with Trudeau and Jean Chretien, and most recently with Chretien and Paul Martin. They gave Turner a second chance after he led the Liberals to their lowest seat count in history with 40 in 1984. He rebounded to take 83 seats in 1988 after being given that second mandate. But he still lost. Turner, like Dion was smart as a whip, but death on the stump

I'm feeling guilty because shortly after the Liberals slid out of contention and into the dumper on election night I predicted flatly that Dion would be gone in a week. I was bang on, but it was a cheap shot at a guy, who quite frankly deserves better. I joined with the broad lump of Liberal strategists and insiders who lamented Dion's lack of style, his egregious error in falling on the sword of the green shift and most of all his inability to unite the party in the run up to the election.

To be fair, Dion is and remains only part of the story. The Liberals went into this election, split and under-funded. Long before the election was called, the hugely flush Tories ran attack ads on Dion. They took shots at his Quebec roots, his perceived intellectual elitism (dog-whistle, monkey-itch, partisan crap), his difficulty with English and his dedicated support of the environment. The green shift was portrayed by the Tories as a tax burden on the average Canadian and trust me, they know it wasn't and isn't, but it was a handy flip and gyp that they could lay on the collective psyche in a 20-second sound bite. It was blatant fear mongering, pandering to what the Tory brain trust views as an uneducated, politically naïve and less than perceptive voting public.

Say what you will about the Tories, but they know how to run a diesel locomotive. Like Archie Bunker once said of that famous Italian freight train engineer: "Say what you want about Mussolini Meathead ... but the trains ran on time."

The Tories photo shopped Dion's image, cranked out unflattering videos and effectively portrayed the opposition Liberal leader as a wimp.

I'd say that we should expect better from Mr. Stephen Harper and a Conservative party that does have a proud heritage. But I can't. Because this is all part and parcel of a strategy that was born south of the border in numerous campaigns, a strategy that started with Watergate and dirty tricks from a tricky dick, was honed by a succession of evangelical rightists and finally found some ersatz efficacy and entrenchment in the hands of Karl Rove and his lasting legacy of the swift boat boot. It's dog and pony jackboot mudslinging, crunched from The Prince and fueled by mud whip Machiavellian tactics that effectively parlay the end as justification of the means.

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More Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

"The building met all local bylaws when constructed in 1991-1992."

A recent edition of the County Voice indicated Echo Hills Legion Apartments is a four-storey building.

I wish to advise you that, in fact, Echo Hills has three storeys and is approximately 11 metres from ground to peak. The building met all local bylaws when constructed in 1991-1992.

I trust this will clear up any misunderstanding.

Sincerely

Barbara Fawcett, Housing Manager.

Editorial Cont'd...

Liberal Leader Offers No Rage Against the Dying of The Light

Dion announced his resignation on the Monday after the election. He will stay on as the Liberal leader on an interim basis, until such time as the Liberals decide on a new leader at a leadership convention tentatively slated for May of 2009.

"We have to look beyond the issue of leadership to understand what happened in the recent campaign and we must be willing to face up to uncomfortable realities, inconvenient truths ... and begin to fix our problems," said Dion. "The blunt reality is that almost two-thirds of Canadians voted for other parties than the Conservatives." Indeed do the math on the whole shebang, accounting for the 59 percent voter turnout and we find that at the crux of the whole matter is the alarming fact that only 20 percent of eligible Canadian voters actually cast a ballot for the Tories. That's no jump at Harper and his merry band of Tories, but it's certainly disconcerting. Quick note to our Stevie Wonder-Kind: Please remember those numbers before engaging in another little quixotic ego-boosting \$300 million kick to our collective jewels. And while we're at it, shut up about Senate Reform and send a thank you note to the starving artists of Canada who probably funded two-thirds of this latest election beancount through your slash and burn cuts to cultural programs.

Dion said that there are greater problems facing the Liberals today. Greater than leadership and greater than this latest Louisville Slugger noggin-knock at the polls.

"The Conservative advertising campaign was huge, well-financed and effective starting before the election campaign began," said Dion. "No way we could counter it with our available finances. The main reason that I want to remain leader is to contribute all of my energy to see to it that the Conservatives will never be able to do to another leader what they did to me."

At the end of his press conference he refused to capitulate to the assertion by one member of the press that he failed on a personal level, and that Canadians could not relate to him as a leader.

"Canadians did not know Stephane Dion," he said. "They knew another one ... the one they have seen in their living room for years before the election."

Dion says he will work to ensure that future Liberal leaders aren't subject to the same ad hominem attacks on national TV.

We tend to forget that Dion was named to the leadership of the Liberal party because he was perceived as a decent, self-effacing, smart, hard-working and compassionate man.

Hopefully, people will remember that intrinsic decency and not the puffin-poopied and You-Tubed slime-slung caricature drawn up by the Tory think-tank. ■

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Canadian Tire Update: Will The Shovel Ever Hit the Ground?

George Farrell
Staff Reporter

"Unfortunately I don't have any time lines to share with you at this point..."

**Lisa Gibson,
Canadian Tire.**

There will be no groundbreaking this year on the site of the proposed Canadian Tire building, and as a result rumours have been circulating around Minden that Canadian Tire would be moved to Haliburton village, and that no construction would be happening until a franchisee was found.

To scotch the first rumour, both Minden Hills Reeve Jim McMahon and CAO Gerry Morrison paraphrased the words of Linda Lum of Canadian Tire Real Estate:

"When the shovel hits the ground it will be in Minden, at the site, and nowhere else."

When the Voice reached Ms. Lum to find out when the shovels might "hit the ground" she referred all questions to Canadian Tire Communications Officer Lisa Gibson.

As to the second half of the rumour that there would be nothing happening until a franchisee was found to manage the store, we spoke to Minden resident Sheldon Wheeler. Mr Wheeler has been living in Minden for about a year. He has been employed by Canadian Tire for many years and his area of expertise is in transportation, logistics and distribution. His job on the Minden site was to authorize the truck route accessing. Apparently the franchisee situation is not a major consideration. What is of the

greatest importance is being on the Canadian Tire construction schedule. The process is that after an approval from Council, an allocation of money is put aside for new construction. According to Mr. Wheeler, "because the approval from Council came so late, (in March) all the monies from Canadian Tire for construction in 2008 were already allocated."

So, the first question which Lisa Gibson needs to ultimately answer, in order to alleviate misunderstandings and rumours is: "Is Minden on the construction schedule for 2009, and if so when? (Canadian Tire has two build schedules, spring and fall). The other question is: "if we're not on the 2009 construction schedule, why not." Ms Gibson responded to these questions with an email: "Unfortunately I don't have any time lines to share with you at this point as we are still working through logistics and time lines with respect to Minden."

There have been rumblings of Canadian Tire not being entirely pleased with soil samples, and Reeve McMahon revealed that a new, slightly revised plan would be unveiled to council in November for approval. A November approval from council for the slightly revised Canadian Tire plan would be in plenty of time for Minden to become one of the building sites for 2009.

Be this as it may, it sounds suspiciously like a stalling tactic from Canadian Tire, in these tough economic times, to put off construction to the next fiscal year.

Perhaps the best indicator is Sheldon Wheeler himself. He was commuting on a regular basis to Toronto. He no longer commutes but is 'semi-retired,' ostensibly to spend more time with his family; but he's basically waiting for a job. "I'm counting on my years of experience as a corporate employee at Canadian Tire as a means to get a managerial position in one of the four levels of management," he said.

It would come as no surprise to see council approve the revised site plan, to see construction begin in the spring or fall of 2009, and for Mr Wheeler to attain a managerial position. In the meantime, according to Mr. Wheeler, "the fuel tanks and the demolition of the Brown Owl location on highway 35 will be done by March 2009, at the latest". If one chooses to be an optimist and read between the lines one can assume that we'll have a Canadian Tire within 12 weeks (approx) of the proverbial shovel "hitting the ground." Of course all this speculation could be made to go away with a simple press release from Canadian Tire. ■

Minden Hills Library Committee Launches Fund Raising Campaign



From left is Jim Fox Interior Design Consultant, Michelle St. Pierre, Elly Malcomson(chair), Sue Eskelin, Sue Pethick, Ellie McNeil, Diane Peacock, Linda Nesbitt, Ron Nesbitt, Cheryl Murdoch, councillor & board member, Peter Oylar, Councillor, Klara Oylar, Bill Obee, councillor, Jim Malcomson.

The Minden Hills Library Committee launched a campaign last Monday to raise \$50,000 to assist in the furnishing of the new library. Construction has already begun on the 5000 sq ft space which will house 10,000 books, computers, meeting space and programming facilities. The walls are already up, the parking lot is being constructed, and the committee hopes that the building will be covered over before the snow flies.

The Library Committee (a committee of the Minden Hills Council) also recently announced an \$887,000 grant from the Province of Ontario to aid in the capital cost of construction.

Here's how you can help to complete this project: a \$50 donation will see your name added to the donor recognition quilt, which will be on display in the new library. For further information please call the Elly Malcomson at 705 489-1759. ■



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Minden Hills Initiates an Economic Development Master Plan

"We're looking at the big picture." (Reeve Jim McMahon)

Liz Danielsen

Staff Reporter

The Minden Hills Council has decided that an Economic Development Master Plan is needed before they can move forward and make informed decisions on the Village's future development and prosperity. Reeve Jim McMahon said that Council came to this conclusion during a brain storming session while in retreat earlier this month.

It's likely that the debate over Pritchard House was the main catalyst, but the celebration of Minden's sesquicentennial anniversary next year is also a strong factor in the timing of Council's decision.

A Minden Hills press release suggests that the ball actually started rolling for Minden Hills with the adoption of their Official Plan as well as their Riverwalk Master Plan. When the controversy over the fate of Pritchard House raised its head, the need for long term planning for appropriate use of municipal property and buildings became more of a priority for all members of Council.

McMahon said, "Before we could make a decision on Pritchard House, we recognized that as a high profile area a long term plan was needed for the entire downtown core. As well as an economic development plan for Minden as a whole, emphasis needs to be placed on Highway 35 and that catchment area for future development. We have also agreed to proceed with a traffic study."

"Until Council has a well developed plan in place for both the Village and Minden Hills as a whole, the status quo will remain for the Pritchard House property as well as any other buildings

that the Township owns."

According to McMahon, Council reviewed the recommendations of a study conducted in the early 1980's. "We looked at the recommendations that were made then and while some of them have been addressed or are ongoing, there isn't a whole lot of difference today"

"We're not traffic experts or architects, but we did decide we need an economic development plan in order for the community to move forward," he said. "If all of the development is to be on the highway, we need to look at what we are going to do with the downtown core and a master plan will help us look at how to deal with both areas."

McMahon said that Council has to look at future development carefully. As an example, he said, "We've held discussions on putting in a second bridge. That isn't going to happen during this term of Council, but if we're going to grow and expand it's something we must consider. We have no industrial lands and by putting in a second bridge from Deep Bay Road to Highway 35 it would open up a large area for development which could easily be serviced by sewer and water."

"We're looking at the big picture as well as smaller areas and are trying to be proactive rather than reactive. A second bridge would serve as a much quicker route to the hospital in an emergency. It would also allow us to close off the main street downtown without interfering with emergency traffic."

McMahon said that Council must always keep in mind that any plans that they have will cost money, but he also said, "We need to identify and prioritize projects as part of an official economic development plan. If, for example, we have identified the need for a second bridge and have the construction costs available, we will be in a much better position to apply whether it is next year or even the year after that. We'll be ready."

According to McMahon, Council has decided to move forward with two separate contracts. The first will be to develop a terms of reference for the study and the second will be to contract an economic development consultant to complete the study and prepare their master plan.

"I know that we'll hear comments bemoaning the fact that we're doing another study, but we do need to update existing reports."

McMahon has asked Bob Smith, the County's Economic Development, Tourism and Marketing Director, to assist the municipality and be involved in the process as a resource. Smith said he has been asked to make recommendations for con-

sultants for both the terms of reference and to work on the study.

Smith said, "This falls into an initiative started a year ago to adopt a protocol between the County and the Municipalities, even though each of the municipalities has a different direction they want to take. This will be an all encompassing plan and we will do whatever we can to help Minden Hills during the process."

Council anticipates presenting a draft economic development master plan at a public meeting sometime during May or June of 2009. At that time the public will be invited to participate and provide input into how they see the community growing and projects they would like to see not only in the Village of Minden, but in the Township of Minden Hills as a whole. ■

ISAAC ASIMOV'S SUPER QUIZ

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Subject: ENDS IN "EEN"

Each answer is a single word ending in "een." (e.g., Oct. 31. Answer: Halloween.)

FRESHMAN LEVEL

1. Eager; enthusiastic.

Answer _____

2. A plant having foliage that remains green throughout the year.

Answer _____

3. An upright partition used to divide a room.

Answer _____

GRADUATE LEVEL

4. A small water bottle, as used by soldiers or campers.

Answer _____

5. Action of a bird cleaning itself with its bill.

Answer _____

6. A large, dark-red oval organ on the left side of the body.

Answer _____

PH.D. LEVEL

7. A material from the upper jaws of certain whales.

Answer _____

8. To lurch or swerve while in motion.

Answer _____

9. A triangular fore-and-aft sail.

Answer _____

ANSWERS: 1. Keen. 2. Evergreen. 3. Screen. 4. Canteen. 5. Preen. 6. Spleen. 7. Baleen. 8. Careen. 9. Lateen.

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Grant Application to Feds Under Way

Liz Danielsen
Staff Reporter

"I have a serious problem with saying that we'll sort things out later. I know there are other costs involved that haven't been considered..."

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Council and Reeve were given a clear message that the people of Algonquin Highlands are not in favour of spending money on the airport. This message was ignored by Council who chose to listen instead to people who have a vested interest in expanding the airport. That is a dictatorship. I challenge the Council to prove there is democracy in the community and put the airport on hold until the next election where it can be put up as a platform for discussion with residents."

Thomas Walden said that spending millions of dollars to attract manufacturing to the proposed air park was old school. He suggested that Council should be ahead of the pack, spending money on attracting high tech projects or making the township attractive as a cultural centre. He said that Council's sustainable competitive advantage was their water, the most important resource in the world and that their clean, drinkable water was the true jewel in the county

of G. D. Jewell Engineering who offered a number of options for replacement of the bridge. Preliminary construction costs on the option that seemed most reasonable to Council were estimated at \$535,000. Lorne Mitchell advised Council that the Municipality holds almost \$614,000 in their reserve account for bridge construction. Council agreed that a request should be made for detailed drawings and cost estimates for a steel bridge with enhanced railings and that the information should be made available for consideration at their next regular meeting.

Harrison then commented on the need to make a decision on the Building Canada fund, and asked for discussion on whether or not Council wished to make application for the runway project, given that there were sufficient funds in the budget to construct the bridge. The discussion followed much the same path as it did during Council's October 9th meeting.

Councillor Carol Moffatt was adamant in her position that they were not ready to go forward with airport expansion without a business plan. "If we are to pursue this we must have the time, energy, partners and a proper plan for the future and I don't think for one second that we are ready for it." Moffatt also voiced concern that this was only the second time that Council had actually sat as a group and held an open discussion about the airport.

Councillors Don Shortreed and Diane Griffin both spoke to the economic benefits that the airport expansion are likely to bring not only to Algonquin Highlands but to the County as a whole. As long term Councillors it was evident that they both felt a certain amount of frustration that they had been faced with the question of airport expansion for too long, and they simply wanted to get on with it. Griffin said that the decision had actually been made when Council decided to expropriate land for the project, but agreed that she wanted to be sure that Council has the necessary information before moving forward.

Deputy Reeve Tom Gardner, while agreeing that the new runway was a good project and needed for safety reasons, voiced serious concerns about the present state of the economy. Gardner suggested that Council consider simply resurfacing the old runway, taxiway and apron and defer the cost of a new runway. "Sometimes you simply have to hold back and prepare," he said. Gardner also referred to the impending increase in assessments and taxation.

Harrison reiterated previous concerns about the safety of the existing runway, saying that if money is to be spent at the airport the best way is for a longer wider runway allowing more time to compensate for wind shear. Harrison said, "We are construction ready. Nothing onerous is required as far as a business plan for the Building Canada application and I think that a detailed business plan should be done after the runway is built." Harrison also said it would likely be a long time before the same opportunity for funding would be available to them.

Harrison also made a very strong point of the fact that given their expropriation of land, they were obligated to proceed

as the airport expansion had been detailed in their by-law as the reason for the expropriation. She reminded Council that the decision to expropriate land had been supported unanimously.

Agreeing with Griffin, Harrison said "To my way of thinking that by-law made the decision and the decision now is when and how we will finance the project, not if!" She added that all Council was doing was deciding to apply for funding and if their application was turned down the project would come back to the table for a discussion of different scenarios. She then said, "I've been saying for some time that the runway is our first priority. The terminal building can follow with time and just building the runway will lessen Council's one third share of the cost."

Council discussed financing again and how supporting different levels of the project would impact the budget and ratepayers. Again Moffatt voiced concern about making a decision that committed residents to such an enormous long term debt. She said, "I have a serious problem with saying that we'll sort things out later. I know there are other costs involved that haven't been considered and it is unfair to future Council's to proceed without sufficient knowledge."

Finally a resolution was put forward to declare the airport Council's highest priority and directing their CAO and Treasurer to proceed to apply for \$3.4 million dollars under the Building Canada fund to construct the new runway as a stand alone project. Moffatt formally requested a recorded vote. The resolution passed with both Moffatt and Gardner voting nay.

Comments started to fly almost immediately after the meeting by those in attendance. Andy Muirhead said, "It seemed to come as something of a shock to some at Council that they had backed themselves and the ratepayers into a corner by buying and expropriating lands without due diligence or solid project justification."

Muirhead also said, "A number of pilots have stated that one measure that would improve safety at the airport would be widening the existing runway." Muirhead referred to several letters on the Municipality's file which had been reproduced in early reports and support this suggestion. He said, "This improvement, perhaps along with an apron expansion, should be the aim of any funding request."

As to continuing opposition to the project and the impending application, Paul MacInnes, Chairman of the Maple, Beech, Cameron Lakes Area Property Owners Association said, "It is fair to say that we will continue to fight the proposed airport development and will fight it every step of the way. We will fight it at the Building Canada level, with the Deputy Minister, Minister and even the Premier and do whatever we have to do to protect our members and the taxpayers."

MacInnes said, "I think that it is obvious that there is a split Council. I was very supportive of Gardner's comments that we're in the midst of an economic crisis without precedent in our lifetime and a lot of our members have just lost between 25 and 35 percent of their income over the last couple of months. We're also about to be hit with massive increases in our assessments, particularly on the lakefront properties and we should be looking at Building Canada for other projects to try to minimize the impact on homeowners."

One thing is for certain. We have not heard the last of this project that will no doubt have an overall impact on everyone, not only in Algonquin Highlands, but on the County as a whole. ■

Stanhope Runway

that should be developed rather than the airport.

Walden spoke about attracting growth industries rather than dying manufacturing jobs. He suggested that the financial figures provided by CAO Lorne Mitchell were incomplete and questioned whether Council had considered other options sufficiently. He also questioned whether this is the appropriate time to consider such a huge risky project given present economic conditions. Walden implored Council not to rush into a decision that would have such far reaching impacts on area residents.

Lorne Heise, owner of the Heat-Line Corporation, presently the only employer at the airport, said that he had been undecided about the project. He questioned spending taxpayers' dollars without taking appropriate measures. At the same time, Heise said that he shared in the dream to expand business at the airport and that it was something that he believed in, particularly if funding from the federal and provincial governments reduced costs to residents. Heise spoke of the need for a strategic land use plan in order to make the airport expansion a success and suggested setting up a committee of business people to work on long term planning. He went on to applaud Council for their determination in the face of so much controversy and offered whatever help he could to ensure that the project had the least impact on taxpayers.

Reeve Eleanor Harrison spoke about the need to make a decision, not just on the airport project, but what Council should apply for through the Building Canada program. She said that the Buckslide Dam Bridge, which has been reduced to one lane traffic, needed to be considered as well before they went any further.

Council then listened to a presentation by Matt MacDonald

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Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

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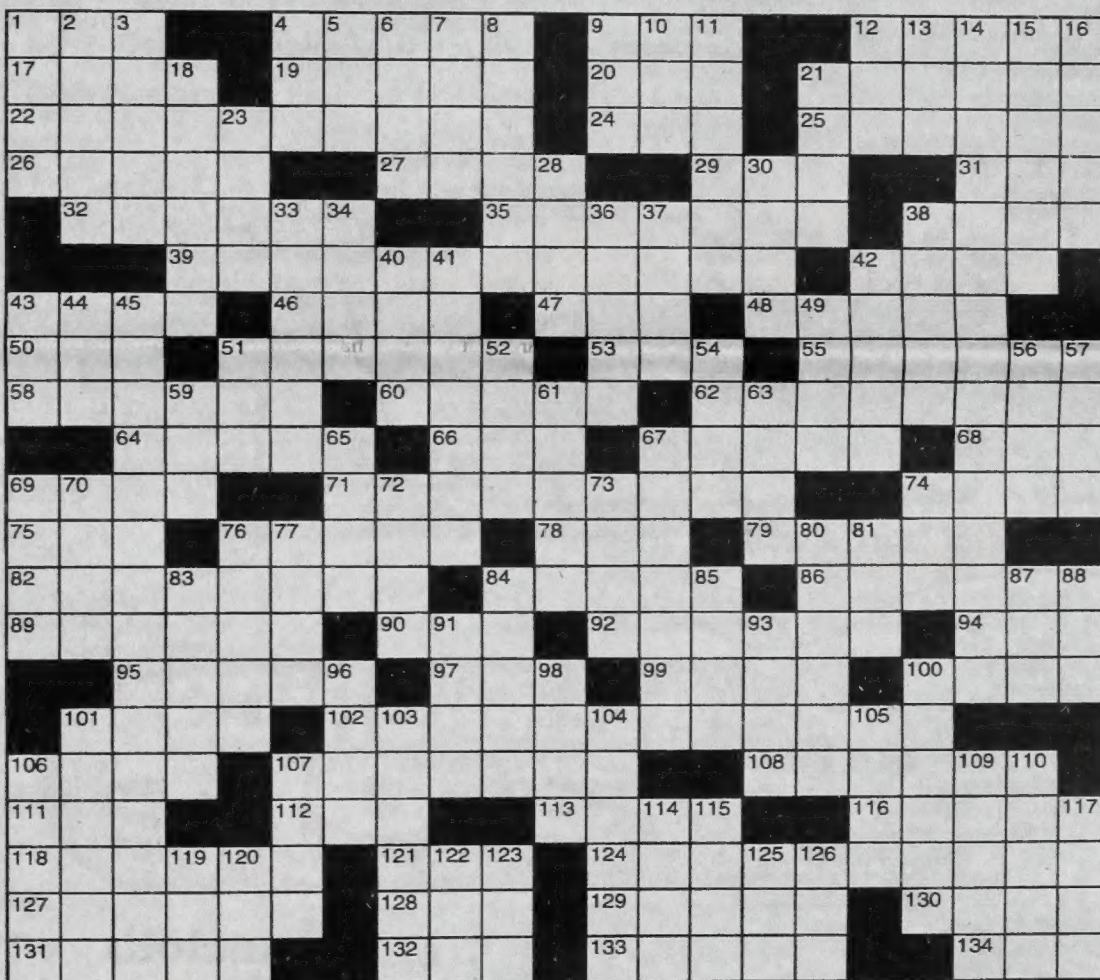
DEAR ABBY: Parental alienation is a topic I have never seen addressed in your column. It is a problem with many divorces involving children. I think my brother is a victim of it. He lives in a different state than his little boy, but pays child support. Abby, his ex continuously harasses him via text messaging and late-night phone calls, accusing him of things she thinks happened when they were together. You'd think she hasn't moved on, but she has a new husband! She agreed that my brother could call his son twice a week, but she rarely answers the phone during these scheduled "visits." She is now trying harder to keep my brother out of his son's life. She even told my nephew that the presents my brother sent him for Christmas came from her new husband! My brother can't afford a lawyer right now, but he is moving to Florida in the near future and I would like to help him resolve this issue. What are your thoughts on parental alienation? -- FRUSTRATED SIS IN FLORIDA

DEAR FRUSTRATED SIS: The kind of anger, selfishness and vindictiveness you have described are unhealthy for everyone involved. Obviously, your former sister-in-law has not moved on. She's still stuck in trying to retaliate against your brother. She's expending the energy and attention she should be devoting to her new marriage and new husband to punishing her last one. And as for your nephew, when a child grows up believing his father thought he was unimportant and expendable, it can negatively affect his sense of self-worth. There is an effective resource available to your brother -- the Children's Rights Council (CRC). For many years this organization has worked to prevent children from being victimized by their parents' divorces, something which happens all too often. The CRC has 57 chapters in 37 states, and its Web site is www.crckids.org. Its president, David L. Levy, J.D., is a nationally known expert on children and edited "The Best Parent Is Both Parents" (Hampton Roads Publishing). Please advise your brother to contact this group.

Super Crossword

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| 1 Collectibles, collectively | 48 Prepared to propose | 100 Cut a cuticle | 4 — nibs | 44 Hwy. | 91 Match |
| 4 "Crocodile Dundee" star | 50 Actress Hagen | 101 Extinct bird | 5 Hosp. areas | 45 STORM | 93 Singer |
| 9 "The — Hurt" ('59 hit) | 51 Muslim title | 102 RAIN | 6 Sheffield slammer | 49 TV's "Empty —" | 96 "Lucky Jim" author |
| 12 Word form for "large" | 53 Medical grp. | 106 Actress Schneider | 7 Frank or Francis | 51 Security grp. | 98 "Comin' — the Rye" |
| 17 Composer Janacek | 55 Left out | 107 Heebie-jeebies | 8 "One of These —" ('75 hit) | 52 A shake in the grass? | 100 Successful dieters |
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Franka's 'Marvellous Meatballs' and Pasta Sauce

Mark Arike
Staff Reporter

Franka Andriano of Franka's Cafe & Catering was cooking up a storm at Bob and Wendy's Foodland in downtown Haliburton on Wednesday, Oct. 22, when she took on SIRCH's "Chef-of-the-Month" Challenge.

Andriano was the first cook to kick things off in this new initiative by SIRCH Community Services and Consulting that invites local area chefs to see if they can make a day's meals for a family of four on only \$6.50 per day.

Before putting on her live demonstration in the front foyer of the store, Andriano took the curious crowd around the store to show them how to look for deals and what ingredients would be needed to make her savoury "Marvelous Meatballs" and pasta sauce.

"You have to shop with the store flyers," she stressed. "You just can't go to a store and randomly shop - you have to plan ahead." (See her list of tips following this article).

During her talk, Andriano also encouraged parents to get their kids involved in the preparation of meals.

"They'll have fun and you'll be getting nutritional food into them as well," she said.

As she was preparing her table for the interactive demonstration, Andriano got onlookers involved by asking them to share what it is they do in order to prolong meals for the sake of saving money while eating healthy. For example, this could be freezing leftovers for the next day or making treats for kids with alternative ingredients.

Although the initial purchase of ingredients for Franka's recipe exceeds \$6.50, she says there would be enough leftovers to serve three or four more meals. The cost of the meatballs and sauce came to a total of \$6.43.

Statistics provided by SIRCH show that many parents with young children have incomes of less than \$18,000/year. This means that they often have less than \$200 per month to feed a family of four after paying expenses like rent, hydro and heat.

The Chef-of-the-Month Challenge will continue with Aaron Walker of the Grill on the Gull on Wednesday, Nov. 26 at Foodland starting at 11 a.m. The month of December Monty Miscio of the Bonnie View Inn will be featured on Wednesday, Dec. 17.

For more information call Nancy Brownsberger at SIRCH at 705 457-1742 ext. 21.

SIRCH's Chef-of-the-Month Challenge is On



Franka's Marvelous Meatballs

- 1 lb ground beef/turkey/chicken
- 1 egg
- 1 onion chopped
- 1 garlic clove minced
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1 tbsp. Italian seasoning if you have it
- 1/2 cup breadcrumbs or slice of stale bread chopped up

Mix all ingredients together in a bowl. Roll out desired size of meatballs.

If adding to sauce, bake in oven. Drizzle a little oil on baking sheet or in fry pan and cook until meatballs are fully cooked (about 5-10 minutes). When meat is no longer pink, meatballs are ready. Add sauce to small pan, add meatballs and warm up together, pour over pasta.



Franka's Classic Tomato Sauce

This recipe keeps well in the refrigerator for up to 5 days

- Meat can be added
- 2 cloves garlic, minced or chopped
- 1 pepper, chopped
- 1 onion chopped
- (If you have carrots, celery, zucchini, or other vegetables, you can add it to this step.)
- Sauté in pan with a little oil until vegetables are softened.
- Add one can of tomato paste and stir.
- Add salt and pepper, oregano, basil to taste.
- Stir for one minute.
- Add 2 cans of whole tomatoes or crushed tomatoes.
- Stir into vegetables and simmer for a couple of minutes.
- Add equal amounts of water and bring to a boil.
- When boiling, lower heat and simmer, stirring occasionally, for an hour and half.

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When you approach the home of Cathy and Alex Bell at 1280 Wonderland Rd. in Haliburton, you might think that you've stumbled upon the set of a horror movie shoot. But don't be alarmed — it's just the couple's way of getting everyone right into the Halloween spirit.

For the past couple of weeks, the Bell family compound has been a hot spot for tourists and curious residents who can't help but slow down and get out of their cars to see if what's in front of them is for real.

The front lawn is adorned with pumpkins, gravesites, ghouls, goblins and several disfigured-looking beings. In the night, lights lend added effect to the overall creepiness that has been created at the residence.

Cathy, along with the help of her husband Alex and son Justin have been going above and beyond the call of duty of when it comes to decorating their place for Halloween for the past three years. Cathy, who considers herself the leader of the project, says that about three weeks were spent on putting everything together for this year's freakish display.

One day, a light bulb went off in Cathy's head with an idea for how she could add something new and fun to this year's annual Halloween extravaganza.

"I was having a shower one morning and I came upstairs to Alex and said, 'we've got to phone the school! I've got a great idea. We're going to donate a bunch of pumpkins to the school so that kids in art classes or those who might not get the chance to carve a pumpkin will be able to.'"

The two went ahead with the bright idea and went fully prepared to purchase pumpkins at Todd's Independent Grocer in Haliburton.

"We went there to order them and then Alex told Steve what we were doing," explained Cathy. "Steve said, 'hey man! I'll step up. I always do something for the school every year.'"

As a result, Todd donated a total of 60 pumpkins to students at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) and J.D. Hodgson Elementary School. Carving took place between this past Monday and finished today.

On Halloween night, each pumpkin will be lit and placed around the property.

By doing this, Cathy hopes that it will encourage others to get involved in the Halloween spirit — even if it isn't to the extreme that she's taken it.

"I do this totally for fun," she said. "I do it for people to enjoy and have a laugh. It gets people in to it. It's all about having fun and letting people's imaginations run wild."

So make sure you stop at 1280 Wonderland anytime between today and tomorrow. On Halloween night, the Bell's will be bringing out even more to see and experience!

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"Every year it's getting better," said Gina Atkinson, owner of Pine Reflections. "We come up with better ideas and get more energetic with our props."

Atkinson says that this haunted house isn't for the faint at heart.

"It's not for the very young ones, but some kids are mature enough for it," she said.

Each night is different at the Haunted Greenhouse, so come on out for two more freaky nights.

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Stanley Cup Coming to Haliburton

Scotty Morrison Hockey Tourney Coming in February

Kids of all ages will be ecstatic to hear that "Stanley" is coming to town.

The Stanley in question, is Lord Stanley's large mug, the trophy awarded yearly to the preeminent team in the National Hockey League.

The Stanley Cup normally rests at the Hockey Hall of Fame in Toronto.

Come February, 2009 however, the former keeper of the gates at the Hockey Hall of Fame, Scotty Morrison, will be unlocking the trophy door and bringing the 'Stanley Cup' to Haliburton and Minden where it will stand as the centerpiece of the First Annual Scotty Morrison Charitable Hockey Tournament slated for Dysart and SG Nesbitt Arenas on the weekend of February 8 and 9, 2009. The charitable tourney is run in conjunction with Community Care Haliburton and all proceeds from the tourney will go toward Community Care initiatives.

Born and educated in Montreal, Quebec, Ian "Scotty" Morrison played junior hockey with the Montreal Canadiens organization.

In October 1991, Scotty was named Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of the Hockey Hall of Fame. The 50,000 square foot facility located in BCE Place, (corner of Yonge and Front Streets, Toronto) opened on June 18, 1993.

Scotty makes his home now in the Haliburton Highlands and is very invested in all facets of his community. He serves on the Board of Directors of Community Care Haliburton and that involvement spawned this First Annual Scotty Morrison Charitable Tournament.

Morrison says that along with the Cup, he will be inviting other well-known dignitaries and sports figures. The CBC's Tom Harrington will be here and Morrison says that he also hopes to have his protégé and popular former referee Ray Scapinello here for the event as well. "Ray's being inducted into the Hall of Fame this weekend and I'm hoping to convince him to come up here in February and maybe even get him on the ice to ref a couple of games," said Morrison. "Scampy" is perhaps best known today for his very popular book: Between the Lines: Not-So-Tall Tales From Ray "Scampy" Scapinello's Four Decades in the NHL.

"I'm hoping he can make it, because he's got a lot of stories and he's a very entertaining guy," said Morrison, who has a vested interest in Scampy's induction to the Hall, being the guy who hired the scrappy Scapinello in the first place.

Morrison said that local residents will have an opportunity to get their pictures taken with the Stanley Cup. There will be a fee involved, but Morrison stressed that the fees will be directed "100 percent" to Community Care Haliburton initiatives.

"Every cent that we make from this tournament will be going to Community Care," said Morrison.

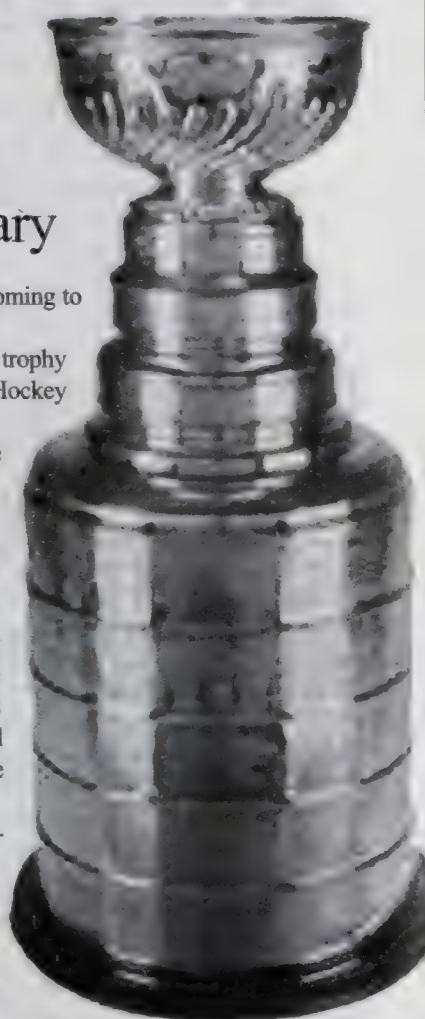
He added that teams registering with their \$550 entrance fee before December 15th will be able to get their pictures taken with the Cup free of charge. The tournament will be divided into four categories: Open, Over 35, Over 55 and a Women's Division. He said that this year at least two teams made up of amputees will also be on the playbill. One of those amputee teams will play an exhibition against an OPP hockey team.

"Right now we're just working on signing up teams in all divisions," said Morrison. "It's going to be an exciting and fun tournament." At present Morrison is spending time on the organizational details at the Community Care Offices. He encourages players of all ages to get their entries in as soon as possible.

He added that teams can sign up on line at the Community Care Haliburton website located at communitycarehaliburton.com. They can also phone the offices at 457-2941.

Morrison just laughed when asked how he arranged to spring the Cup from the Hall for the weekend trip North. "Well, I still have a little pull," laughed Morrison, who was named a Stanley Cup Trustee in 2002. He said that he conferred with current Keeper of the Cup Phil Pritchard and that Phil and the Hall of Fame brass had readily acquiesced. He said that the Cup doesn't leave the Hall of Fame all that often, adding that February dovetails quite nicely into Stanley's schedule. "It's actually a convenient time of year to request the Cup," said Morrison, adding that there are not as many requests for Stanley's presence in the cold, dog days of February. It is a great time to get some friends together for a solid fun weekend of hockey however. So keep that in mind and get those entries in. Get them in before December 15th and pose with your teammates for free with Lord Stanley's silver jar. The Cup last appeared in Haliburton in 2000.

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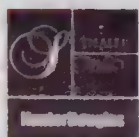


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J.D. Hodgson Students Rise to the Challenge

Over \$43,000 Raised through Annual QSP Reader's Digest Magazine Sales

Mark Arike
Staff Reporter



Students of J.D. Hodgson Elementary School were rewarded with a dance last Friday night for selling over \$43,000 in magazine subscription sales during this year's QSP Reader's Digest campaign.

Through the campaign that started on Oct. 7 and ran until Oct. 23, the entire student body was encouraged to sell magazines for the purpose of raising funds that will go into several areas of the school that directly benefit students.

This could include the funding of school trips, purchase(s) of SMART boards (interactive whiteboards) and other equipment for students.

"After students reached a certain level in sales, teachers at the school did different as a way of offering them an added incentive to sell," said Gord Wood, Vice Principal of J.D. Hodgson Elementary School.

When students hit the \$10,000 mark, teachers Blake Paton and Sabine Murray accepted whipped cream pies in the face. Once the \$20,000 level was met, singing sensations "_____", made up of teachers Lorie Reddering and Linda Shantz, sang for students. At \$30,000, teachers Sean McCutcheon, Kevin Buchanan and Matt Beaton dug into some pudding with the help of a few students who spoon fed them. The grand prize for students came when they received a dance at the school after bringing in a whopping \$40,000.

For selling subscriptions, students were able to win prizes through Reader's digest and the school.

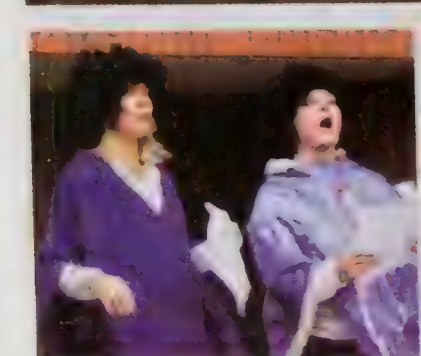
"We gave out prizes to the top 10 sellers," said Wood.

Items the school distributed to those students included soccer balls, footballs and board games.

Wood says that the campaign teaches students some valuable lessons about setting goals.

"It shows that if you set realistic goals they can be achieved," he said.

The school will be holding an awards ceremony for the students who participated in the magazine fundraiser on Monday, Nov. 3.



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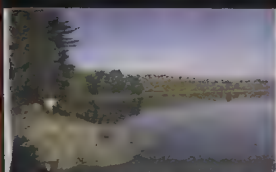
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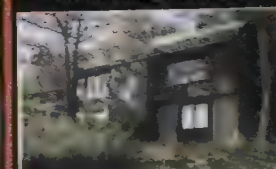
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Carol Browne, Registered Health Nurse, Gives Community Care Volunteers the Facts

Revealing the Signs of Aging

As we age, many changes occur in the body and mind.

On Wednesday, Oct. 22, Carol Browne, Registered Nurse with the Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team, came to the Community Care Drop-In Centre to explain some of the signs of aging to a group of Community Care volunteers who regularly come into contact with elderly clients in the County.

"As volunteers, many of you come into contact with people that you should be concerned about," said Browne to the group.

Currently, Community Care has 170 volunteers who reach out to those in the community who may need a helping hand or someone to talk to. Volunteers must attend information, orientation and training sessions as required by the program.

These individuals are able to reach out to those who may be isolated and/or have no means of transportation in order to go out and socialize with others. Not only do volunteers touch the lives of others, but they also improve their own overall well-being by staying active in their roles.

"What each of you do is reach out," said Browne. "You bring a variety of things to the community...you're challenging yourselves physically, you're engaging with the community and you're making friends."

Browne lives in the Highlands and has worked in long term care for the past 18 years. She is committed to improv-

ing seniors' health and enjoys collaborating with community partners to improve care. She considers herself privileged to work in such a caring community.

For those who weren't at the information session, a few of the signs of aging that are inevitable as we all get older are listed below.

For tips on how to reduce the signs of aging, visit www.bodyandhealth.canada.com. To find out how you can become a Community Care go to www.communitycare-haliburton.com or call Brigitte at 705 457-2941.

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"Even if their visits were only once a month they provided a great service and by removing them it will be very hard to attract other professionals, new families and growth in the area," said Rogers.

Rogers asked Council to apologise to the doctors and to ask them on bended knee to come back. She asked Council to hold a Town Hall meeting as soon as possible to allow an opportunity for people to learn exactly what is going on and to answer questions from the public. A suggestion was also put forward that Council consider setting up a community advisory committee to assist with communications within the municipality.

Rogers concluded her presentation with a request that Council rescind their earlier decision and to get medical services back in the community.

Reeve Dave Burton advised the audience that the resolution had already been prepared. He commented that Council's decision had been made with the best information available to them at the time. He said, "We're trying to gather more information, but we already realize that the building is being utilized much more than we originally thought. Burton also said that \$195,000 had been spent on upgrading the building that they felt was being underutilized.

Burton advised the group that he had been speaking with the Family Medical Centre's Dr. Bob Heyes and had asked the doctors to come back. He is scheduled to meet again with Dr. Heyes later in the week.

Council then passed a resolution.

Rogers said, "The next time you need my help just give me a call." ■



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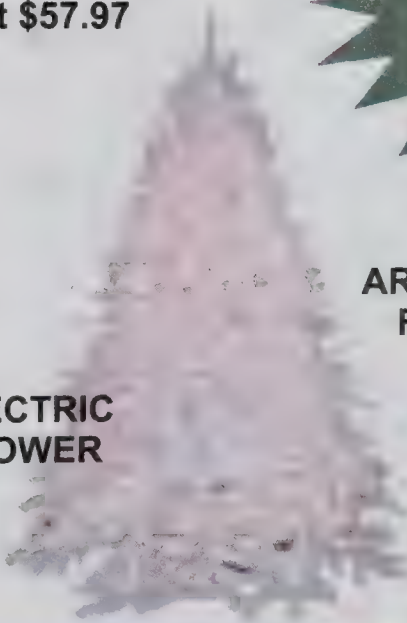
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Highland Storm Pee wee A's Finalists in Highland Classic

The Highland Storm Pee wee A team has started the 2008-2009 season on a solid note, winning their first three regular season games and making it to the finals of the 3rd Annual Highland Storm Fall Classic Tournament, held on the weekend of October 18th-19th in Minden and Haliburton.

This Pee wee team is a virtual copy of the Atom A team of two years ago which went to the Ontario Minor Hockey Association finals, won the Peterborough Liftlock, and were finalists in the Silver Stick tournament. Led by Coach Jamie Dollo, assisted by Glenn Hall and Rod Sisson, with Trainer John Fedeski and Manager Bill Frost, the team has all 10 skaters and two goalies from the 2006-2007 squad. This year three more skaters joined the group, allowing the team three forward lines, which is a great blessing when it comes to tournaments and late-season playoffs.

Coach Dollo's forward lines are composed of Captain Nate Feir at centre, with wingers Spencer Trueman and newcomer Matt Hunter. Centre Curtis Ballantyne with wingers Connor Dollo and Devon Upton; Centre Tyler Barry with newcomers Joseph Patrick and Tom Paul. The defence pairs are Julia Fedeski with Assistant Captain Jacob Sisson, and Owen Flood with Assistant Captain Chris Hall. Goaltenders are Brayden Frost and Jordan Hamilton.

The team opened the season with an impressive 11-2 shellacking of the Almaguin Ice Dogs in Burks Falls. They followed that by capturing both sides of a doubleheader against the Parry Sound Shamrocks at home in Dysart Arena, winning a blowout 10-0 in the first game, and prevailing 5-3 in the second. Although happy with the win, the coaches really wanted more competition. There are only 18 games in the regular season, and Parry Sound was expected to be a very competitive squad, along with the Bracebridge Bears and of course, the Storm. Easy regular season play doesn't prepare a club for the rigours of the Ontario playdowns, which start in January.

But this is where tournaments come into play. At the Fall Classic, the Storm opened the tournament with a hard-fought 1-1 tie with the Orono Leafs. The Storm had a wide margin in play, outshooting the Leafs by at least a three to one margin, but the Orono goalie was terrific, and frustrated the Storm time and again. In the second round robin game, the Storm tied again, this time against a strong Oshawa Generals team, by another 1-1 score. Finally, the Storm beat a rejuvenated Almaguin team, 9-1, even though the Ice Dogs had prevailed over the Orono Leafs.

In the semi-final game on Sunday in Haliburton the Storm played perhaps their best game of the year in defeating the Caledonia Thunder 2-0. Jordan Hamilton was terrific in goal; Tom Paul and Curtis Ballantyne supplied the goals.

The final saw the Storm play the Oshawa Generals once again. Oshawa scored in the first two minutes of play, but the Storm came back to tie it with a terrific goal by Ballantyne. In the second period the Generals used their possessions well, shooting at Storm Goalie Brayden Frost at every opportunity, often forgetting the pretty plays, and just blasting the puck. As a result they got three straight goals, two of which were unstoppable deflections, to take a tough three-goal lead into the third period.

The Storm, however, weren't finished by any means. Five minutes into the third period Matthew Hunter scored after persistent hard work in front of the net; a few minutes later Devon Upton scored a similar goal to get the Storm within one. But that was as close as they could get, with the Oshawa goalie coming up big when it counted, even turning away a couple of clear breakaways. Finally, an empty netter with just seconds to go sealed the deal.

So, deserved finalists, but no cigar. This was, however, a very good weekend of hockey for the team, with four very close games to test them, and show up some areas that need work.

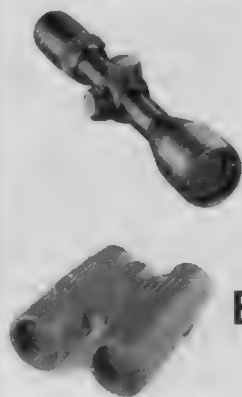
This weekend the team takes on the Bracebridge Bears in an away game, and in two weeks hosts a double-header against Almaguin at home. ■

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Senior Red Hawks Fall Prey to First Half Doldrums - Lose 29-13

A bone-whipped chill off Head Lake and dull, metallic gray, sunless skies greeted two football teams at Red Hawk Field last Friday afternoon.

The type of day that forms the backdrop for a Tim Burton directed screenplay. Foreboding, bleak and colourless. The sepia tinge provided a fitting backdrop for this Kawartha Zone Double 'A' football semi-final match up between two evenly matched squads. The senior teams in question, Peterborough's Holy Cross Crusaders and the Haliburton High Red Hawks were engaging in a little crank of déjà vu.

The two teams met on the previous Thursday in the final game of the regular season. The Red Hawks, powered by a three touchdown tour de force performance courtesy of presumed Kawartha All-Star running back Brock Brown, won that encounter 20-10, a victory that allowed them to host the playoff rematch last Friday afternoon before a very respectable home town crowd.

Working on that old premise "fool me once shame on you ... fool me twice shame on me," the Crusader coaching staff took on a Borg-like mentality in preparation for the pivotal rematch, linking helmets to a unified mantra: "Stop Brock Brown."

Running a seldom-used defensive set, the Crusaders set their sights on Haliburton's penetrating running back and threw a wrench into the Red Hawks well-oiled offensive machine. They stymied Brown with effective keying, stunting and primal screams (as in "watch 33 ... watch the run"), and they shut down the Red Hawk ground game on the way to an impressive 29-13 victory.

The loss put a gray damper on the Hawks season and sets up an all Peterborough Kawartha Zone final between Holy Cross and Adam Scott next Saturday.

Crusader coach Chris Clarke spent little time on the dissertation in a post game analysis.

"They beat us last week on the ground and we knew that if we wanted to win this game we had to stop number 33 (Brown)," said Clarke. "We have a defensive package that we rarely use and we put it in last week during practice, with the one objective of stopping their running back and ground game." Mission accomplished. The defensive set had two or three bird dogs eyeballing Brown on every down, a strategy that effectively stymied the Red Hawk offense, which relies heavily on Brown's sine qua non support.

Clarke added that taking a 15-6 lead into half time also helped. "Once we stopped their running game, took a lead and forced them into some passing situations, part of our defensive plan was to run some stunts and the blitz," said Clarke.

Red Hawk coaches Derek Little and Tim Davies knew coming into the semi-final game that their offense hinged largely upon the prepossessing talent of their marquee tail back. After the final regular season game last week, Little was uncompromising in his evaluation of the Red Hawk machine. "It's no secret," said Little. "Ninety percent of our offense revolves around Brock Brown."

There is another old sports saw that says "live by the sword ... die by the sword." Truth be told, the Red Hawks are not a one-dimensional squad. They have a very talented defensive squad and they possess a fairly solid passing attack anchored by senior pivot Nathan Woodcock and receiver Josh Townsend. Townsend also plays a huge role on defense. And, in the final analysis, this game was not won or lost on the ground or in the air. It was decided in the trenches.

"Of course we're disappointed," said Haliburton coach Davies, who allowed that the Hawks started slow and then never seemed to amp up their hitting game until late in the second half long after this game had been decided.

"We have a bigger team, a more physical team, but we just never got started until the fourth quarter," said Davies. "We had the size advantage but we just didn't start hitting until it was too late."

The Crusaders ran for a touchdown on their first set from scrimmage to open the game and for the remainder of the first half they seemed to be winning most of the one-on-one battles on the line. That set the tone for the first two quarters and effectively placed the Hawks at a discernible disadvantage as play progressed in the first half.

A few gadget plays, including a few fake punts, some twin pass option plays, two successful third and short gambles and a backbreaking fake field goal that went for six points took a toll

on a Red Hawk defense that spent a whole lot of time on the field in a drawn out first half.

Shortly after that fake field goal, which resulted in a 30-yard pass and run touchdown that

put the Crusaders up 14-0, the Hawks did rebound. A 30-yard screen and go to Brown got things rolling. The Hawks put together a convincing drive that ended up with a 2-yard touchdown run by Brown. The two point conversion failed and the Hawks after giving up a single near the end of the first half went to the half-time endzone huddle trailing 15-6.

But Crusader quarter back Riley Quinlan took a firm hold of the reins early in the second half mixing up a ground and aerial attack that put an

exclamation mark on the day. Crusaders scored on a 35-yard corner route pass for a touchdown in the dying moments of the third quarter and they stretched that lead to 29-6 with another converted major late in the fourth.

On the final play of the game, Woodcock hooked up with Townsend on a short toss and pitch touchdown completion.

Player Suspensions not Blamed for Loss

Long before the game started, last Tuesday in fact, the Red Hawks were hit with two player suspensions, disbarments issued as a result of an appeal filed by North Hastings High School in Bancroft. The appeal concerned two Haliburton High School players John and Grant Ellis, transfer players that were ruled eligible to compete in sports by the Kawartha District sports governing body. North Hastings filed an appeal with Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics (COSSA) and that appeal was upheld by COSSA in a meeting in Belleville Tuesday, October 20th. As a result the Ellis brothers were declared ineligible to play in the playoff game last Friday.

Davies said that he was unable to comment on any specifics because that COSSA decision will be appealed to the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations (OFSAA) at their meeting on November 7th.

Davies said that while both of the young men had made stellar contributions to the Red Hawk program in the course of the season, no one should be pointing at this eleventh hour decision as a reason for the playoff loss. But he does insist that the issue has to be addressed to ensure that something like this does not occur in the future.

And to ensure that both boys have an opportunity to have their case for reinstatement reviewed.

"They were given the thumbs up to play by the Kawartha District and my concern is just how many of these transfers have been overturned by COSSA," said Davies. He says that far deeper than any concern for game outcomes should be the future of the boys who played out the football season quite innocently,

Two Red Hawk Players Deemed Ineligible after COSSA Ruling Last Week

assured that they were participating with the blessing of the Kawartha District.

"We adopted them into the Red Hawk family and we made them part of the whole thing," said Davies. "I think the whole process needs to be tidied up."

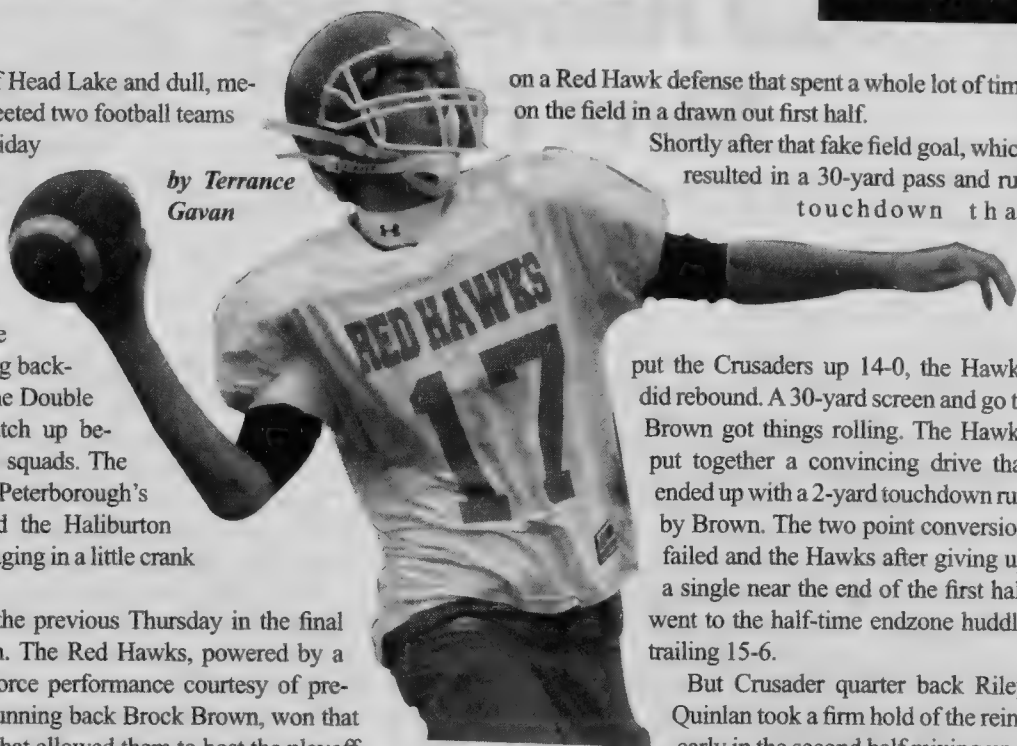
He also said that he wanted to make it clear that Holy Cross Crusaders had no part in the proceedings last week. "The coaching staff at Holy Cross had nothing to do with it, it was a decision undertaken by COSSA," explained Davies.

And although he did allow that the decision did affect the team psyche when the decision was announced to the team on Wednesday, Davies wanted to make it clear that it really had no lasting effect on last Friday's outcome. "Look, that's not the reason we lost that game," said Davies.

"And I want to give full credit to Holy Cross, because they came out and they beat us fair and square, they were the better team last Friday," said Davies. "We were the bigger team, and we didn't start to show it until the fourth quarter ... I can't explain it, but we got beat by a better team last Friday."

Davies and Little both wanted to commend their senior players for a stellar season. "We finished 4-1 on the season ... we had a great season and it's something to build on for next year."

And that's the nice thing about football. Hope floats and redemption is just an autumn away. ■



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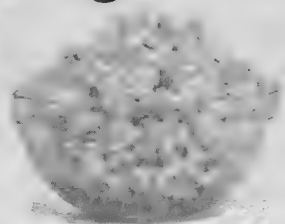


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Junior Football Red Hawks Lose Semi Final

Crusaders Rebound to Avenge late Season Loss to Hawks



Someone once said that you're only as good as your last game.

In football there is an extrapolation of that dubious tenet. A tautology of sorts.

It states that you are only as good as your next game. That epithet is magnified when your next game is being played against your last game's opponents.

The junior Red Hawks traveled to Peterborough last Friday for a full-on tilt against the robust and resilient Holy Cross Crusaders. In the final game of the season, here at Red Hawk Field two Thursdays hence, the Red Hawks won a very close and hard fought victory over the Crusaders by a narrow 7-0 margin.

In that game the Red Hawks forced some turnovers, played relentless defense, covered pass routes with a highwayman's abandon and stifled the Crusader running game.

It's tough to duplicate a masterpiece and that was brought home with a resounding thud as the Red Hawks dropped their rematch against the Crusaders by a 35-7 margin.

Coaches Ron Yake and Bruce Griffith had to deliver the now familiar "next year speech" to a disappointed group of young Red Hawk players after last Friday's tilt. There is no shame in losing and the Hawks, a young team with a ton of potential have every right to look forward to next year.

The Hawks finished the regular season with a 3-2 record, unless of course you take into account a 15-14 loss against Norwood earlier this season, a game result that was appealed shortly after the game and was ruled on last week.

The appeal was based on what Yake and Griffith both asserted was a blown call on a single point. The Kawartha governing body did indeed rule that the single point was wrongly awarded and that the mistake was the direct result of the official's misinterpretation of a rule.

Griffith said that the rule in this case insists that two six-minute quarters be played to break the tie. Both Yake and Griffith said that since the game would not ultimately affect their playoff positioning, there would be no benefit in traveling to Norwood to play out the two six minute overtime periods.

It gets a little fuzzy after that. If that's possible. The league states that since the game was not completed a tie can't be called, but Griffith says that as far as he's concerned, the Red

Hawks record will go down as 3-1-1 instead of 3-2.

But none of that had any bearing on the semi-final playoff outcome. The Hawks were outplayed on both ends of the ball.

Griffith was philosophical about the outcome.

"We definitely didn't play our best game and they played really well," said Griffith. The Hawks trailed 14-7 at the half before the wheels well and truly dislodged in the second half.

"We played our best game of the season the week before," said Griffith. This time round, a combination of a relentless running game and stifling Crusader defense served to close the door on the Red Hawks season.

"They had three different guys running the ball and we couldn't stop them," said Griffith, who added that Holy Cross really showed no inclination to put the ball in the air for the entire game. In their first encounter the Red Hawks swarming defense was able to force some crucial turnovers. They were also able to run the ball with tailback Tyler Wood delivering the bulk of the offensive output.

"They (Crusaders) keyed on Tyler on Friday and they just played better than us," said Griffith. He added that because it's a young team, the playbook for this season hinged upon a selection of about 22 set piece plays from scrimmage.

"I think we showed them everything in our playbook on the previous week, so they came out ready for us," said Griffith.

He added that home field advantage and the favorable crowd may have also played a role in the resounding defeat. That and the fact that it's hard to win back-to-back games, especially with a young team and players that are just learning the finer nuances of the game.

The Hawks lone touchdown came on a pass from quarterback Andrew Elia to Zach Harrison. Harrison also connected on conversion to account for all of the Red Hawk scoring in the game.

Griffith is looking forward to next year and was actually quite buoyed by the Hawks efforts in what was in the beginning ruled as a rebuilding year. The young Hawks lost a lot of talented players to the senior squad from a team that went deep into the playoffs in 2007.

"Only two of our grade nines played regularly last year, so we're actually very happy with the way all of those young guys played this year," said Griffith.

"We've got a lot of players returning next year and we're looking forward to it," he added. ■

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Minden River Kings Take Down League Leading Bobcats

Brett Meyers Scores Four Goals in Kings Victory

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Maybe it's true what they say.

Maybe all you have to do is lighten that death grip on the stick for things to fall into place.

Maybe you'll have to ask Minden's Minnesota minstrel Brett Meyers about that little slice of shinny wisdom.

Meyers scored four goals last Friday night in a 7-5 River King victory over Elliot Lake Bobcats, a team that currently sits atop the standings in the Greater Metro Junior A Hockey League (GMHL). Jeschke said that he had told the talented forward at a practice earlier in the week that things would start to come together.

"I told him that after hitting that many crossbars and posts, there was going to come a night when everything would come together," laughed Jeschke. It couldn't have come together on a better or bigger night for Meyers.

The Bobcats have a strong team, and they also possess a rabid home town following, two things that work against visiting teams who embark upon the six-hour road trip to the GMHL's northern reaches.

"It's a long trip and it's a tough place to win a game," said Minden head coach Mike Jeschke last Sunday.

Jeschke is currently sitting out a three game suspension, the result of a littering infraction at a Minden home game recently. Assistant coach Brooks Robinson had the reins behind the Minden bench last Friday and Jeschke gave Robinson fair dues.

"Brooks did really well behind the bench and the guys really played well for him," said Jeschke.

Other goal getters included captain Toby Kathan, local product Matt Lytle and newcomer Kelvin Northam.

Jeschke said that the win could be attributed to a solid offensive effort sustained by a very disciplined team-centered approach borne out by a sudden dearth of penalties. "I think we had seven minors in the game, and that really helped," said Jeschke.

He was also pretty excited about the sudden turn in River King fortunes.

An infusion of new players like Lytle and Northam along with the surging fortunes of the Kathan, Meyers and Thomas Falardeau line has Jeschke thinking that the River Kings are about ready to turn the corner on their season.

The River Kings began the season on a rocky note with some intrinsic institutional problems mostly revolving around a lack of available bodies. They have slowly been shoring up those inefficiencies with a gradual influx of new players said Jeschke.

According to Jeschke, things are slowly starting to come together. They practiced with three lines, two extra forwards and five defensemen on the weekend, something that surely adds a little pop to the roster. "We've been adding new players, quality players and we also have a group of guys who are starting to buy into what we're trying to do here," said Jeschke.

Northam is a 6'7" blue chip blueliner who comes to the Kings from the GMHL's Deseronto Storm. "He's a quality player with two goals in his first two games with us," added Jeschke.

Matt Lytle is also proving to be a nice little addition and he also brings that all-important local ingredient to the Kings lineup. Lytle played hockey in Fenelon Falls before gravitating to the Kings this season. He's a solid second or third liner who has proved in the last two games that he can contribute on both ends of the ice.

Jeschke is also very excited about Mike Dagostino the newest addition to the team. Dagostino comes to the Kings from Elliot Lake in a trade, which includes some as yet undisclosed future considerations.

Dagostino brings some solid GMHL experience and a deft scoring touch into the mix and Jeschke said that he is also part and parcel of a concerted effort to keep increasing those overall team numbers.

The River King record stands at 3-9-1 for the season. They took on the Brock Bucks in a home game last Tuesday at the SG Nesbitt Arena. (Results could not be obtained before deadline and Jeschke was forced to sit that game out as well.)

Jeschke says that the Kings have an excellent opportunity to make up some ground in the upcoming weeks. "Six of our next seven games will be played against teams that have a worse record than us and that's good news, because we had a really tough stretch against some powerhouses at the start of our season."

Jeschke will be back behind the bench for a road game against the 4-9 Richmond Hill Lightning Rams Saturday November 1 at 7:30 pm. After that the Kings will host the 12-2 South Muskoka Shield at Nesbitt Arena Sunday, November 2nd at 6 pm. That should be a dandy game and a chance for fans to assess just what these revived River Kings are bringing to the table.

Jeschke said that the Kings decided to start young Andrew Selbie in goal against the Bobcats last Friday and his play cemented the fact that the Kings can now call on Selbie when they want to give starting netminder Rob Sutherland a breather. Sutherland will be the probable starter against the Rams and the Shield this weekend.

Jeschke said he may start to experiment with some line changes as well. He may add Dagostino to the Kathan and Meyers first line and that would leave room for Falardeau to be teamed up with Devin Hunter and David Igarchee. Hunter was forced to play a role on defense for a few games, but with the addition of Northam and the solid presence of Evan Beasley and Lane Schmid at the blue line Hunter can again spend the bulk of his time in his more accustomed forward spot. He's looking at a third line mix of Tyler Crego, Tyler Wright and Matt Lytle or Greg Davis.

Jeschke said that nothing is written in stone quite yet though.

For the moment, Jeschke and Robinson are just very happy to have a full practice roster and some extra bodies available.

"Things are starting to come together," said Jeschke. Now of course, all the River Kings have to do is figure out a way to put some seats in the seats.

"I still think that once people have an opportunity to come out and see a game, that they'll be back for more," said Jeschke. ■



Moments in time

THE HISTORY CHANNEL

On Oct. 30, 1974, 32-year-old Muhammad Ali becomes heavyweight champion of the world for the second time when he knocks out 25-year-old champ George Foreman in the eighth round of the "Rumble in the Jungle," a match in Kinshasa, Zaire. Seven years earlier, Ali was stripped of his title when the government accused him of draft-dodging.

On Oct. 31, 1926, Harry Houdini, the most celebrated magician and escape artist of the 20th century, dies of peritonitis in a Detroit hospital. Houdini's appendix ruptured when he was punched in the stomach by a student after a lecture in Montreal.

On Nov. 1, 1959, Montreal Canadian Jacques Plante becomes the first NHL goaltender to wear a full facemask. Once it caught on, most goaltenders wore Plante-designed masks until the end of the 1960s, when Soviet goalies introduced cage-style masks that made it easier to see.

On Nov. 2, 1947, the Hughes Flying Boat -- the largest aircraft ever built -- is piloted by designer Howard Hughes on its first and only flight. The massive wooden aircraft had a wingspan longer than a football field and was designed to carry more than 700 troops into battle.

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After review by the HCDC and the County, you may be contacted for more information.

Notices

At Rest - Crawford

Peacefully with her family and beloved boyfriend, John Marren, at her side, Janice Crawford passed away at the age of 54 on Wednesday October 22, 2008. Dear daughter of Eileen Hughes and predeceased by father Eric Hughes and sister Carol, loving sister of Lynne Brady and her husband Mike, Patricia Troop, Valerie Mueller and Michael Hughes, and a Special Big Sister of Carley Reynolds. Loved by her nieces Kathryn Waram and Carrie Feir, nephews Shawn and Jeremy Troop and their children.

A Funeral Mass will be held at St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church 27 Victoria Street, Haliburton on Saturday, November 1 at 11 a.m. As an expression of sympathy, memorial donations gratefully appreciated to Sissy's Love Connection PO Box 592 Dutton Ontario N0L 1J0 or the London Regional Cancer Program at LHSC.

Online condolences may be made to www.memorialfuneral.ca. The family wishes to thank all the support and care provided by staff at the LHSC and the London Regional Cancer Program, particularly Dr. M. Vincent, Dr. M. Boldt and RN Connie Morrison. Memorial Funeral Home in care of the arrangements (519) 452-3770

In Memory



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God Bless Danny Kay

All family and friends welcome to join us for a quaint memorial for Danny Kay at Dave Kay's residence, Sunday November 2, 2008 from 6-9 p.m.

Haliburton County Opens a Business Resource Centre

"...many people are unaware that 98 percent of companies in Canada actually fall into the small business category, forming a huge part of our economy."

In recognition of Small Business Week last week, Warden Eleanor Harrison officially opened the County's Business Resource Centre. About 20 people, including members of County Council and representatives from Ontario's Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) and Service Ontario joined Harrison at the luncheon which showcased the resource centre.

These days there is no shortage of news about big business facing difficulties as they deal with the global financial crisis; however, many people are unaware that 98 percent of companies in Canada actually fall into the small business category, forming a huge part of our economy. People wishing to start a small business are often at sea when it comes to the steps they need to take to establish their business and get it off the ground. And they too must come to grips with ever increasing financial challenges.

In fact, statistics indicate that small businesses in Canada accounted for as much as 80 percent of the country's overall job growth between 1993 and 2003. And small business doesn't have it easy, particularly in rural eastern Ontario. Many small businesses fail in the first year and only 25 percent of them are still in business after 10 years. And that was before the present financial crisis which has sent so many into a tail spin when faced with limited access to credit and loans that are often the safety net that keeps the small entrepreneur afloat.

Small Business Week is held to salute and honour burgeoning entrepreneurs, particularly as they face these tough economic times, and Bob Smith, the County's Director of Economic Development, Tourism and Marketing, wants to do his part to assist small business owners in any way he can.

Local residents can use the new resource centre and Smith's department to access the guidelines for business start-ups, legal matters they may face, incorporation information, what is involved in naming your business, marketing tips, exporting information, what is available in the way of rural economic development support services and much more.

Smith says, "Appointments can be booked for on-on-one meetings simply by calling. We can assist Haliburton residents to do a business readiness checklist, prepare a business plan or help individuals enrol for GST and PST. According to Smith, once you have made the decision to move forward, the business can be registered at the Provincial Offices on Highway 35.

Smith says that the Business Resource Centre compliments the information and services offered by Service Ontario locally, by OMAFRA in Lindsay and Haliburton County Development Corporation in Haliburton. He was quick to add however, that the County's Business Resource Centre will have a comprehensive selection of publications and materials. ■

Death Notices



Ethel Deterling (nee Young) (Resident of Wilberforce, Ontario)

At Highland Wood, Haliburton on Friday evening, October 24, 2008 in her 95th year. Beloved wife of Ted Deterling of Wilberforce and the late Albert Saunders. Loving mother of James (Mina) Saunders and Mary Harnden. Fondly remembered by her grandchildren Randy, Roger, Shelley, Janet, Joanne and Mark and her ten great grandchildren. Sadly missed by her brother Ronald, her sisters Rachel, Marjorie and Gertrude and Ted's extended family. Predeceased by her brothers James, Basil, William and her sister Mabel.

Visitation & Funeral Service

Friends are invited to call at the HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209 on Tuesday afternoon, October 28, 2008 from 1 o'clock until time of Funeral Service in the Chapel at 2 o'clock. Interment later South Wilberforce Cemetery, Wilberforce. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHS Foundation) would be appreciated by the family.

www.communityfuneralhomes.com



November 2008 Council Meeting

The November 11th, 2008 Council meeting has been changed as follows:

Date: Monday, NOVEMBER 10, 2008
Time: 9:00 am

Location: Council Chambers
2249 Loop Rd, Wilberforce

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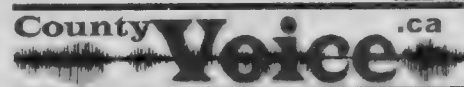
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FOR WEEK OF NOV. 3RD 2008

Horoscopes

It's in the Stars

BORN THIS WEEK: You are an exceptionally loyal person, and you're respected for your ability to keep the secrets entrusted to you.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You enjoy the attention early in the week, but it might be a good idea to opt for some privacy by week's end so that you can have more time to consider an upcoming decision.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You unearth some surprising facts. Now you need to consider how to use them to your advantage. Meanwhile, it might be best to keep what you've learned secret for now.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A comment by a colleague piques your curiosity to know more. Best advice: You'll find people more likely to offer information if you're discreet when making your inquiries.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your energy levels begin to rise by midweek. This allows you to catch up with your heavy workload and still have plenty of get-up-and-go to go out on the town this weekend.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You're probably roaring your head off about a perceived slight from a longtime critic. Ignore it. That person might just be trying to goad you into doing something you might later regret.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The early part of the week is open to spontaneity. Then it's time to settle into your usual routine to get all your tasks done. A personal situation could require more attention from you.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A meeting of the minds on a workplace project might well develop into something more personal for Librans looking for romance. Aspects are also favorable for platonic relationships.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A more-positive mood might be difficult to assume in light of a recent problem involving the health of someone special. But by week's end, your emotional barometer should start to rise.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Look for a changed attitude from a former adversary once he or she realizes you have your colleagues' full support. Now you can refocus your energies on that workplace project.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) This time, a difference of opinion might not be resolved in your favor. But be patient. It could all ultimately work out to your advantage, as new information begins to develop.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A tug of war develops between the artistic Aquarian's creative aspect and his or her practical side. Best advice: Prioritize your schedule so you can give appropriate time to both.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You could be entering a career phase awash with job-related demands. But avoid being swamped by the overflow and, instead, keep treading water as you deal with demands one by one.

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An Advocate for the Visually Impaired from Haliburton

CEO of World Blind Union, Haliburton's Penny Hartin, Heads an Internationally Recognized Organization

Mark Arike
Staff Reporter

Shortly after Penny Hartin was born in 1955, she was diagnosed with cataracts—a condition that causes clouding in the lens of the eye. At six months old, Penny underwent numerous surgeries but her eyesight barely improved. Her visual impairment, however, didn't seem to slow her down on her rise to success.

Penny grew up on a farm in Haliburton with her mother, father, three sisters and one brother. She was a part of the local school system and graduated from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) in 1974.

This past Thanksgiving weekend while Penny was up visiting her family, she sat down with The Voice for an exclusive interview in which she spoke about her advocacy work for those with vision problems around the world. She also recalled what it was like to grow up as a child with her impairment in Haliburton County.

"They certainly didn't have what they have now for visual aids," said Hartin. "I was able to read print if I held things very close with strong magnification, but I was not able to see the blackboard at all."

Teachers helped Penny however they could, and students treated her just the same as everyone else, she said.

"They (teachers) made an effort to repeat whatever it was they were putting on the board and the students were quite good too."

Because she had trouble seeing, being raised on a farm was a bit unnerving at times.

"I was a bit nervous around some of the animals," she explained, "because I didn't know what they were doing."

Penny's eyesight is 20/400, which means that what someone with 20/20 vision could see at a distance of 400 ft. would have to be within a 20 ft. range of her.

Currently, Hartin is the CEO of the World Blind Union (WBU)—an organization established in 1984 that represents over 160 million blind and partially sighted persons in 177 member countries. It is the internationally recognized organization speaking on behalf of blind and partially sighted persons at the international level.

As Penny was growing up, she knew that she'd have to work extra hard to get to the point where she is today. Pursuing an education was at the top of her priority list and when she was 19 she went off to Laurentian University in Sudbury.

"I decided that I wanted to be a French/English translator because I was good with languages," explained Hartin. "It probably wasn't the best choice



"Over the years, I did a number of things with them," she said. "I worked in management positions in place like Sudbury and Sue St. Marie. I also did direct service work in working with blind people. I also did international work with the CNIB before I left them to join the WBU."

In 2006, Hartin says that an office in Toronto was established for the WBU. This is the office that she walks to from her home near Yonge St. and Eglington Ave. to conduct daily business as CEO.

"Up until 2006, all of the work had been done by elected officers and people who served on committees, but there was no permanent office for coordinating everything."

Hartin then applied for the CEO position, which

she says she was hired on for because of her long-running involvement with the CNIB. The job opportunity was posted worldwide.

As CEO of the organization, Hartin has many significant duties, some of which include administrative work, communication coordination and acting as a representative for the WBU at functions around the globe.

Since travel plays a big role in Penny's position, she has a 5.5-year old Golden Retriever guide dog named Oliana to help make sure she gets to where she's going safely.

"I travel with Oliana quite a bit," she says. "She has her pet passport to go to the United Kingdom and Europe. So she doesn't get put into quarantine, she gets to ride on the airplane with me."

By law, Oliana is permitted to go with Penny practically anywhere including in taxis, restaurants and airplanes. The only two places where Penny says she isn't allowed are in hospital operating rooms and the zoo.

There have been instances, especially in restaurants, when staff was apprehensive in letting Penny come in to the establishment with Oliana. In these rare situations, Penny is quick to remind

them that it's the law to let her in and warns they could get a \$5,000 fine for not complying.

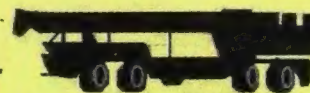
By speaking to Hartin, it's evident that her determination, drive and focus have all been factors in how she's made it to this

point. Penny entered teacher's college and received her teaching degree. During the summers, she began working for the CNIB, a place where her employment tenure would last for 27 years. The CNIB is a nationwide, community-based, registered charity that is committed to research, public education and vision health for all Canadians.

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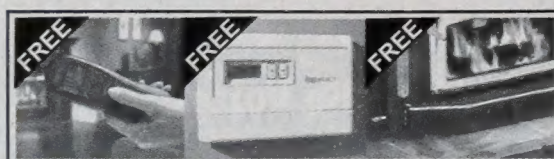


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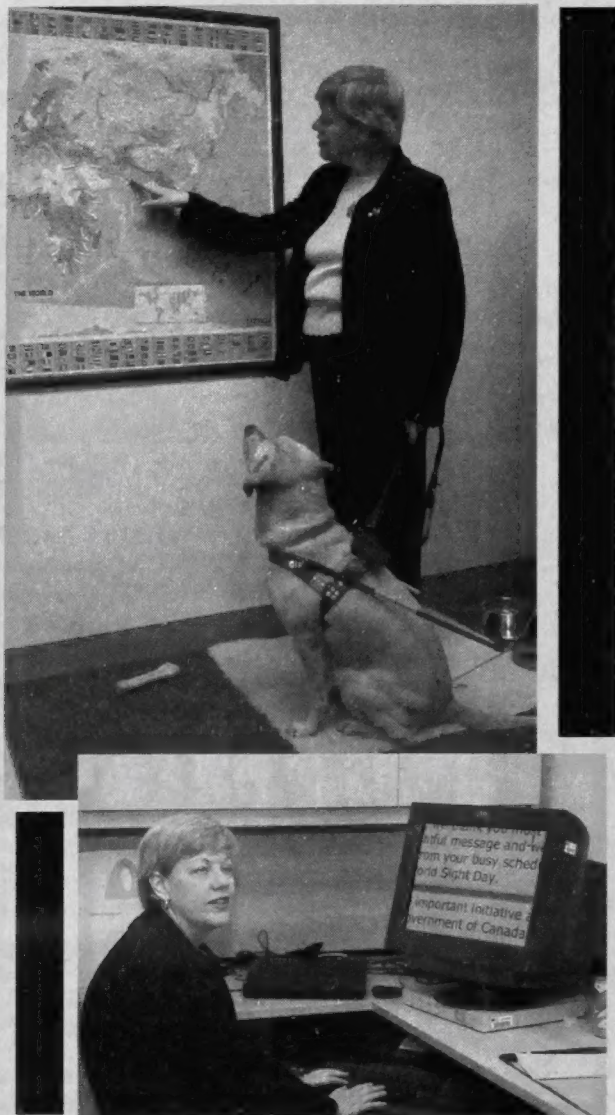
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point in her life.

Her proud mother Donna says that her daughter didn't need a push from her to excel in life and that a visual impairment alone wasn't strong enough to hold her back.

"She was always a good student in school and she was determined to make something of herself," said Donna. "She did everything the others kids did and we didn't baby her."

Donna considers the work that her daughter does today as "great".

Penny's typewriter teacher in Grade 9, Anna English, helped her to keep up to speed with the rest of her high school class. English said that Penny always approached things with a never give up attitude.

"Her perseverance and personality helped her to do it," said English in a phone interview with The Voice. "She was a really gifted girl and that's what she needed in life. Nothing was handed to her and she's really been able to move mountains."

For others like her who may face vision problems or another form of a disability, Hartin has shares a few words of advice.

"Look for opportunities and take them when they present themselves. Get a good education - insist on it. Don't be afraid of failing because you're more likely to succeed than fail."

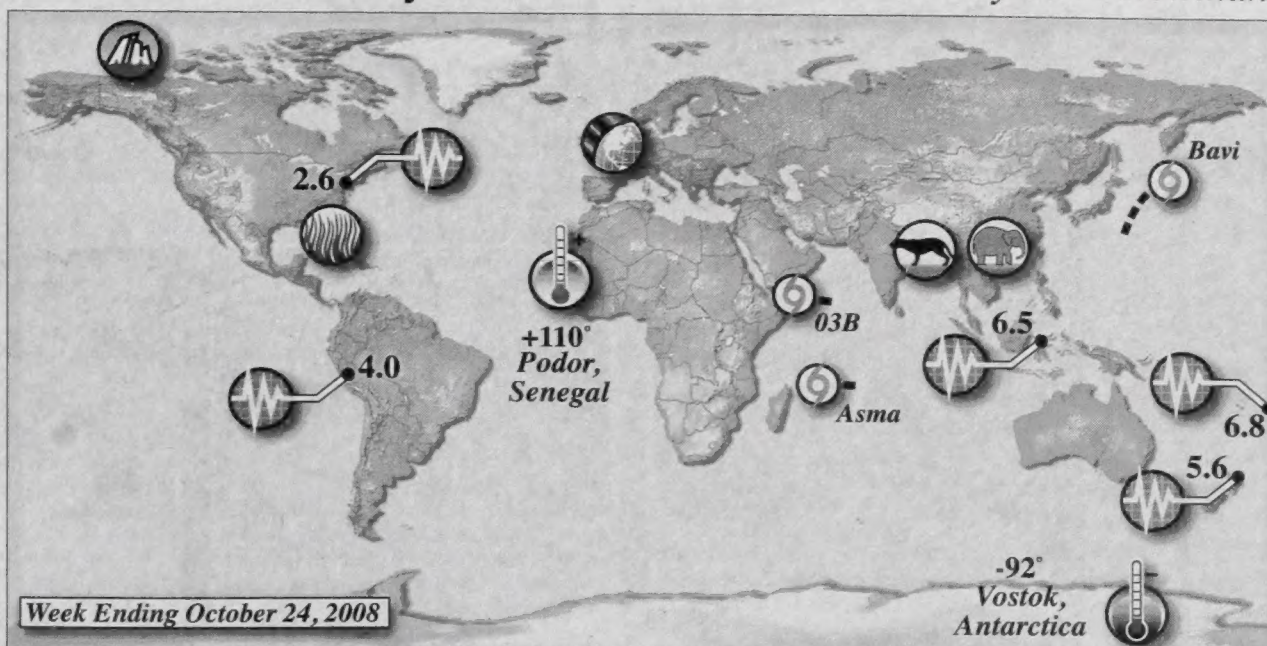
She also suggests taking the tools that are available for assistance in levelling the playing field, but at the same, not to lean on the disability.

"Don't look at the disability as a crutch because that just makes it harder," she says.

For more information on the WBU visit www.worldblindunion.org.

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Swamped Wetlands

Deer in the Everglades are being forced out of their habitat or are becoming trapped in some of the worst flooding to ever strike the wetlands. A summer of heavy rainfall across South Florida ended a protracted drought and brought water levels in the famed "River of Grass" to the highest on record. The water has driven deer and other species from the scattering of tree islands, which normally provide a dry haven, onto the few stretches of canal levees that are now the only footing that remains above water. Similar conditions in 1982 and 1995 decimated the Glades' white-tailed deer, bringing its population down from the thousands to the hundreds. The natural flow of the Everglades southward to Florida Bay has been blocked since a highway known as the Tamiami Trail was constructed from Miami to the Gulf Coast in the 1920s. Plans to replace a section of the elevated roadway with a 3,000-foot causeway are being considered, along with culverts that would also allow water to flow beneath parts of the highway.

Warming Habitat Loss

Wildlife experts are warning that rising sea level due to global warming is driving India's Sundarban tigers out of their mangrove habitat into surrounding villages, where attacks on humans are on the increase. The Sundarban wetlands along the India-Bangladesh border are slowly being eroded by the rising tide. This means that the tigers' most common prey, such as crabs, fish and crocodiles, is shrinking. A combination of poaching and loss of habitat has brought the number of tigers down from about 500 in the late 1960s to between 250 and 270 currently, according to wildlife officials.

Record Autumn Warmth

Fall weather across the Arctic has been warmer than during any other autumn on record, according to U.S. experts. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) published the statistic, adding that the warmth is due to more ocean water being exposed to sunlight after the near-record melt of Arctic ice over the summer. NOAA researchers found that the polar region was 9.0 degrees Fahrenheit warmer than normal over the past two months. The temperate autumn comes on the heels of two years that have seen all-time records shattered. In a warming trend that began in the mid-1960s, 2007 was the warmest year in the Arctic on record, followed closely by 2008 in second place. NOAA points out that the climate change is also bringing more greenness at high latitudes as shrubs begin to grow farther north on landscapes that were once rooted in permafrost.

London Blushes

A mysteriously pink glow appeared in the sky above London for just under an hour on the evening of Oct. 20, leaving tourists and U.K. capital residents craning their necks and scratching their heads. The *Daily Mail* reports that the glow appeared to hover over buildings before breaking up and slowly disappearing. A spokesman for the country's meteorological office said the pastel vision was most likely due to the lights of the city reflecting off a cloud. "If you have very high cloud, as we did last night, you tend to get odd 'splodges' of low cloud that will reflect the pink or sometimes orange-pink lights of the city from all angles, and stand out from the darkness of the sky," the unnamed Met Office spokesman told the newspaper.

Tropical Cyclones

A rare Arabian Sea cyclone, designated 03B, brought locally heavy rain to the Horn of Africa and parts of the Arabian Peninsula.

• Tropical Storm Asma passed over western parts of the Indian Ocean while Tropical Storm Bavi churned the western Pacific.

Earthquakes

A 6.5 magnitude quake in Indonesia's Central Sulawesi Province was so powerful that people who happened to be standing near the epicenter were tossed around.

• Earth movements were also felt in northern New Zealand, Tonga, central Peru and Pennsylvania.

Elephant Rehab

An elephant cured of a heroin addiction has been deemed unfit to live in the wild despite kicking the habit, according to Chinese zookeepers. Four-year-old Xiguang, or "Big Brother," had been used by illegal traders along the China-Myanmar border. The smugglers apparently fed him bananas coated with heroin to keep him under control. After entering treatment on Hainan Island, the bull elephant cried and made trumpeting noises once his doses of heroin were no longer available, the *Beijing News* reports. Veterinarians eased the withdrawal symptoms during a three-year treatment with methadone injections five times stronger than those used to treat humans. Despite being cured of his addiction, animal experts determined that Xiguang's habits and body odors had changed to the point where he will have to remain in wildlife parks for the rest of his life.

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Have Your Say... VOX POP

We asked people in Haliburton, "Do you have anything planned for this Halloween? What's your opinion of this annual tradition?"



Brian Williams, Welland - "We usually hand out candy to about 100-150 different kids. We also try to get the grandkids over if there's something going on. I think it be good if they made Halloween on Saturday each year for the kids. It would make it easier for them because they wouldn't have to worry about getting up early for school the next day and parents wouldn't have to worry about them eating all that junk food that night."



Kevin Perrie, Little Britain - "We have stuff set-up outside our house for the kids. It's nothing extravagant but that is an annual tradition. We like to supply the young ones with treats. We get about 35-40 kids who come out. I think Halloween is something that should keep going. A lot of adults and kids both enjoy it. I think it's more for fun than anything else."



Madeline Doyle, Eagle Lake - "I've never had a kid come over to my house yet in 18 years so I don't bother getting candy. When I was in the city, I was used to giving out 150 bags easily. I kind of miss that because I love to see the kids dressed up. I think Halloween is great, but it's certainly easier for parents in the city because here they have to drive their kids everywhere."



Murray Fearrey, Haliburton - "I'll just stay at home and give the kids treats. We're in a remote area so we don't get that many people out. This is a good time for parents to get out with their kids and it's a time for the community to be able to give back to the kids."



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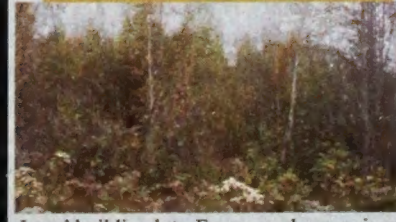
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